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PASSAGE PREDICTED THIS SESSION

MANDATORY BILL WITH PERMISSIVE FEATURES

ROOSEVELT MESSAGE SHORTLY

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.

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Washington, To-day.

The White House has announced that President Roosevelt and the Senate silver advocates have agreed on silver legislation. The President will send a message to Congress on the subject in a day or two.

It is learned that the message will make specific recommendations regarding the next steps the Administration will propose for an improved monetary system. The legislation will comprise a mandatory Bill with permissive features.

The silver advocates are reluctant to talk, but indicated that the legislation would be mandatory regarding its declaration of policy, but permissive regarding the nationalisation of silver stocks.

The Senate silver group reported that the legislation will pass at the present session of Congress.

The Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Key Pittman said:

"There is no misunderstanding now. The Bill will be ready soon. In fact all it needs is a few pencil marks. Senator Borah said:

"More progress was made to-day than at any other time." IT WAS LATER LEARNED THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE WILL PROBABLY RECOMMEND AN INCREASED USE OF SILVER RESERVES TOWARD AN ULTIMATE GOAL OF 25 PER CENT. SILVER 75 PER CENT. GOLD IN THE MONETARY RESERVE.

CONGRESS RISES ON JUNE 5.

Three Bills Yet To Be Passed.

OTHER PROBABLY LAID ASIDE

Washington, To-day.
June 5 has been tentatively fixed for the adjournment of the United States Congress following a conference between President Roosevelt and the Congressional leaders. Before the adjournment, it will be necessary to pass Bills dealing with communications control insurance of bank deposits, and loans to industry, but there is every indication that the disputed unemployment insurance bills and the controversial labour legislation will be set aside.—Reuter.

TEXTILE INDUSTRY EFFICIENCY.

British Self-Depreciation Deplored.

QUESTION OF LABOUR COSTS

London, To-day.
It is ridiculous to say that the Japanese textile manufacturers are more efficient than the Lancashire industrialists, according to Mr. John Grey, Chairman of the Cotton Spinners' and Manufacturers' Association. He declared that if the labour costs factor was eliminated, Lancashire could produce more cheaply than Japan, notwithstanding that the two-shift system in Japan enables a reduction of overhead charges.

"Much of this efficiency talk is Japanese advertising propaganda, aided by British self-depreciation," Mr. Grey declares.—Reuter.

NO BASEBALL GAMES

New York, To-day.
No major league baseball matches were decided yesterday.—Reuter.

WEST POINT PANIC

RESIDENTS FLEE DURING GAS RELEASE

Salesian Father Calms Crowd.

PANIC-STRICKEN THROG RUSH TO HILLS

Exodus From Clarence Terrace.

A mild panic among the inhabitants of the houses surrounding the gasometer which caused such tremendous havoc at West Point on Monday, occurred shortly after 1.45 p.m. to-day when the surplus gas, which had collected in the top of the telescoped gasometer, following the explosion, was released. Crowds of people seeing thick yellow smoke billowing through the tall chimney stack near the container, accompanied by strong gas fumes, fled screaming to the hillside at the back of the gas works, Clarence Terrace, which, together with Darley Terrace, suffered the brunt of Monday's explosion and fire, was completely evacuated within a few minutes.

SALESIAN FATHER CALMS CROWD

The Rev. Father Wierovak, Rector of St. Antonio's Church, who was commended for his rescue work on Monday, heard the commotion from the St. Louis Industrial School, and made an attempt to subdue the excited throng. He succeeded in calming many of the panic-stricken people who gathered in the school-yard.

A general exodus from Clarence Terrace is in progress, the residents declining to live there any longer. Some families have already moved out, while others state that they are only waiting to obtain new flats. It is a general opinion that the terrace will be vacant by the end of the week.

OFFICIAL'S STATEMENT

An official of the Gas Works informed the China Mail that the superfluous gas in the crown of the gasometer had to be released in order to complete the work necessary to raise the telescoped gasometer. The gas was mixed with air and released through the chimney stack. The official added that the work of raising the gasometer was expected to be completed by to-morrow afternoon.

No further deaths as a result of the explosion have been reported, and the work on the ruined terraces has ceased. All the barricades have been removed from the vicinity of Clarence Terrace.

OFFICIAL SYMPATHY

His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., Sir William Shenton, and the Hon. Dr. Kotavall, C.M.G., LL.D., expressed sympathy with the victims of the West Point disaster when the Legislative Council assembled this afternoon.

STOP PRESS

CHINESE GIRL DIES

Ling Sam, a Chinese girl aged 10, died this morning at the Government Civil Hospital from shock and burns received at the West Point explosion. This brings the death toll to 38.

R.A.F. PLANES COLLIDE IN LOOPING THE LOOP

Both Pilots Land Safely By Parachute Method

London, To-day.
When six Royal Air Force single-seater planes of the Northumberland Squadron were looping the loop in close formation yesterday, two machines collided and crashed. Both pilots, Flight-Lieutenant Brookes and Sergeant Willis, jumped and landed safely by parachutes.—British Wireless Service.

SOVIET'S REPLY TO MANCHUKUO

Photographic Survey Of Soviet Shore.

SUNGARI RIVER INCIDENT

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet account of the recent firing on the Manchukuo-owned steamer in the Riva Amur states that a party aboard were making a photographic survey of the Soviet shore, and ignored requests to desist, whereupon the frontier guards fired a few blank shots, and then several rifle shots high above the steamer's funnels.—Reuter.

The incident occurred at the confluence of the Sungari and Amur Rivers on Sunday morning. It appears that the steamer had on board a number of Japanese troops, and that the commanding officer was among those wounded by the shellfire from the shore.

A tense atmosphere prevails in the Japanese military headquarters at Tientsin, according to the correspondent of the Tokyo Asahi, as the result of the serious wounding of Captain Sakurai, the commander of the military detachment aboard the steamer.

An official protest to Moscow was lodged by Manchukuo.

HARUNA MARU AGROUND

Mishap Delays Japanese Textile Delegates.

FOG INCIDENT

Tokyo, To-day.
The N.Y.K. steamer Haruna Maru, which is carrying the delegates of the Japanese textile conference back to Japan, was stranded at the entrance to the Shimonoseki Straits during dense fog at midnight, last night, according to a message received here from Shimonoseki, to-day.

Salvage tugs are expected to tow the vessel off at high tide, at 11 o'clock this morning.—Reuter.

20 NEW SHIPS FOR U.S. NAVY

Immediate Construction from Recovery Funds.

Washington, To-day.
Two flotilla leaders, 12 destroyers, and six submarines are to be constructed immediately for the United States Navy from the funds available from the U.S.\$1,322,000,000 vote which President Roosevelt requested for public work, according to the Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Claude A. Swanson.—Reuter.

BAN ON SCIENTIFIC WARFARE



The Easter celebrations in Berlin included a great public flying day festival held at the Tempelhof Aerodrome, and attended by thousands of people. Two hundred workers were given free flights. The picture gives a general view at the aerodrome showing the enormous crowd.—(S. & G.).

BRITAIN'S APPEAL

ANXIETY IN LONDON OVER ARMS PARLEY

AIR CONVENTION BEING DRAFTED.

Urged For Pledge to Prohibit Bombing.

London, To-day.

Feelings bordering on alarm are to-day betrayed in the London Press at the possibility of the Disarmament Conference heading for an imminent shipwreck.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, on behalf of the leaders of the Christian Churches, states in a manifesto that the failure of the Conference will inexorably betray the hopes and desires of multitudes.

The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, in a speech in London, yesterday, announced that he was going to Geneva to do his very best to bring an agreement out of "this tangled and complicated situation."

This is interpreted to mean that though the hopes of a comprehensive convention are dead, Great Britain is determined to get either a skeleton convention, like the banning of chemical and bacteriological warfare, or, as "The Times" hints, an European agreement to outlaw bombing from the air and to abolish large aggressive weapons.

The "News Chronicle" learns that Britain is considering details of an air convention prohibiting air bombing and obliging signatories jointly to bomb any country which broke the pledge to refrain from aerial warfare.

In the event of such efforts breaking down, the Disarmament Conference is expected to hand over the task to the League Council, plus Germany, Russia and the United States.—Reuter.

FAR EAST GAMES WASHED OUT

China v. Philippines At Basketball On Tuesday.

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL PROTEST NOT UPHELD

Manila, To-day.
Due to the continued heavy rainfall the entire Olympic schedule has been postponed for one day. All to-day's events have been held over.

The Chinese basketball team, whose postponement was allowed, thus answering the Chinese protest, will play the Philippines on Tuesday.

The Chinese girls' volleyball protest was not allowed. The atmosphere of tension is gradually clearing, and one-day suspension of activities will help.—Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST

Cloudy generally, with probable rain, and moderate east winds, was the weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

ARMS CONFERENCE HOPES

ARMS CONFERENCE PRESIDENT DENIES RESIGNATION

Arthur Henderson Arranging For Resumption Of Work On May 29

London, To-day.
Mr. Arthur Henderson yesterday denied the report that he had resigned the Presidency of the Disarmament Conference. He said that he was making the necessary arrangements for work to be resumed on Tuesday, May 29, and was determined to do everything in his power to influence the conference to carry through its original task.—British Wireless Service.

THE DISEASE OF FEAR

Sir John Simon On Armaments.

London, To-day.
The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, in addressing the Federation of Women's Institutes, in London, yesterday, described it as a very distressing and serious fact that no international agreement on Disarmament had yet been reached.

He shared the keen disappointment so widely felt, but he did not share the view of those who said that because two years had passed without achieving an agreement therefore the whole enterprise was hopeless and should be abandoned. (Continued on page 9.)

SOVIET GOLD PRODUCTION

Huge Increase Now Disclosed.

STALIN'S OPTIMISM

Moscow, To-day.
Soviet gold production in 1933 increased by 142 per cent., as compared with the previous year, according to hitherto jealously guarded figures announced yesterday.

Production was valued at 100,000,000 roubles in 1933 and 41,000,000 roubles in 1932. Production during the first quarter of 1934 was 67 per cent. above the same period of last year. The General Secretary of the Communist Party, M. J. V. Stalin, is of the opinion that the Soviet could get four times as much gold if they could get sufficient dredgers and other machinery.—Reuter.

RUMOURS OF ADJOURNMENT ARE DENIED

FRENCH MINISTER EMPHATIC.

FORTNIGHT SESSION PREDICTED

Geneva, To-day.

A report that it has already been decided to adjourn the Disarmament Conference has been promptly denied in League of Nations circles.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Marthou, was particularly emphatic. He is still hopeful, but admitted, however, that the conference might fail and that there was a possibility of the discussed general Disarmament commission reporting back to the League Council.

Competent quarters believe that when the General Commission meets on May 29, it will be difficult to keep it alive for more than a fortnight. Many believe that the best and healthiest solution would be a long interval, trusting the economic situation to afford a better prospect of settlement.—Reuter.

THE AMERICAN ATTITUDE

Roosevelt Indicates No Policy Change.

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt has announced that he is preparing a full exposition of the American attitude on Disarmament which will be delivered at Geneva by the American delegate, Mr. Norman Davis. The President did not indicate any change in the American policy.—Reuter.

PREMIER LEAVES LONDON.

Whitsuntide Recess At Looismouth.

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister Mr. Ramsay MacDonald will leave London to-day by aeroplane for Looismouth where he will spend the Whitsuntide recess.—British Wireless Service.



The WOMAN'S Page



Patou's Neat Waist-Line

Square-Cut Front Bodice.

PARIS FASHIONS FOR THE SPRING

Paris. Jean Patou has a collection of dresses and ensembles which include tailored coats and skirts, afternoon dresses with and without coats, evening dresses, and wraps. For the morning he cuts perfectly simple skirts with pleats or a flare and gives no unusual line to the coat except at the neck, which may be without any collar and have a pinch behind to form a fin flap of about two to three inches at its widest. This peculiarity is common to all coats, and to some bodices, throughout the collection.

The waist-line at Patou's is neat and close fitting, with some small drapery at the back, such as fin-shaped flaps, short sash-ends tied to a bow with ends. The hips are invariably slender in line. The neck-line is decorative, with irregularly shaped collars, hoods, and, in front, revers. White pique is much used to trim simple dresses. Belts are drawn tight without pinching the waist. Short sleeves are usual. Bright blue and navy blue, almond green, tango red, violet, and quite a lot of black are used in this collection. Soft, supple materials are the fashion for the afternoon; stiff satin, faille, and velvet for the evening.

Crisp Silks and Drapes
Maggie Rouff puts turbulent ruchings to frame the head and face, cutting the bodice for afternoon to a wide square in front and bringing high the ruching on the shoulders and at the back of the head. The fashion is that of the reign of Henry VIII. Another style peculiar to Maggie Rouff is that of wearing with morning dresses a cape made with sleeves into which the arms are not slipped. The impression is that of the cardigan, or coat, hung on the shoulders with empty sleeves. In all the ensembles Maggie Rouff makes for the afternoon there is a marked femininity. She uses crisp silks and drapes the waist carelessly. Her jackets pucker in the back, her bodices and sleeves have that untailored look which has the charm of a day that is past. She also makes figured crepe dresses in lovely colours and patterns which she puts under long black, brown, grey, or blue coats, all of which have the high, loosely ruched collar and open throat. The evening dresses are in the same styles, made with skirts which are full at the back and which flow at the hem. They have slender bodices and very full high puffed sleeves, square-cut neck lines, and tight waists.

While waiting for spring, Frenchwomen are wearing tailor-made and furs. Coats have fox-trimmed sleeves; capes of fox are worn back to front, sideways, any way but straight. For skins with head and tail complete are wound about the shoulders, but not round the throat. Fox is the fashionable fur, and it is likely to be so during the summer, since it is being put on afternoon coat sleeves, and capes are made with it for the evening.

Milady's Summer Chapeaux



Fashion goes to milady's head this season with a wide variety of styles, three examples of which are shown. Left, Muriel King in a model of English flannel with a fringed edge; right, Mae Clarke, topped off with white felt draped in green and gold. Below, Joan Marsh wears a broad-brimmed model of tulle and black ribbon.

Paris Styles

Straight Dresses With Fullness To Ankle.

TIGHTER WAIST LINE

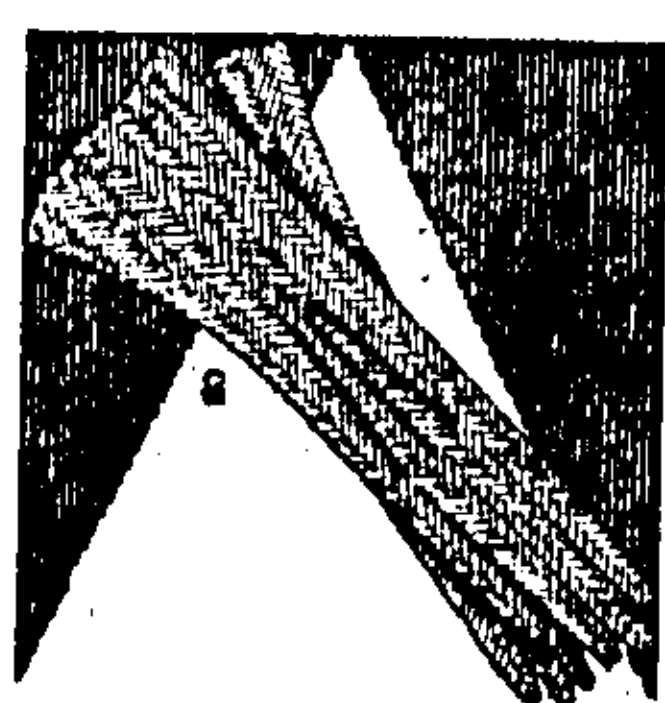
Paris. Things seem to stand out more this season. Usually about this time the fashion collections begin to take the shape and colour of one big blurr. Maybe it is because each house is showing fewer things and doing a little high powered concentration — which makes it definitely easier on eyes that have had to run over 5000 miles of varied scenery without a change of innertubes.

Spring and Summer Colours

The Spring and Summer of 1934 will have white, black, navy blue and brown for its foundation colours. On top of these you can slap on colours that cream for joy as the warmer days push out soft green leaves on trees and bring from bud to flower such blossoms as the hyacinth, geranium, tiger lily and shadblows.

Tighter Waists

Waists are tighter; skirts are straighter with fullness nearer the angles than the knees, and a fraction longer; there are slits in them or pleats that look like slits but save you the embarrassment of exposure; sleeves center their interest at the elbow instead of the shoulder; buttons have gone crazy and you can use any loose dominos, dice, doorknobs or perculator tops found about the house for fastening purposes. Hats are small medium and large — which is giving you news in a big way!



TINTED TEETH ALL THE RAGE

Latest Fashion Craze.

CAN BE LAQUERED LIKE FINGER-NAILS

New York. Here's one that will jangle your nerves into a dither. Recently a well-known vaudeville star said that the style note which interested her most at the moment is this new enamel business, put out by some famous den of beauticians, for touching up the teeth to any desired colour.

For years, she said, stage people have whitewashed their teeth, when necessary, in order to give the audience a big white flash. Now, like the nail enamel, somebody figures out how to justify teeth that weren't born white.

It seems there is a shade of blue which can do everything for you that the average dish of blueberries might, and a ravishing bleeding heart tone that will convince your best friend you've been on a beet diet for a month.

The heliotrope is sufficiently realistic, according to rumour, you may look like you'd drunk a case of Burgundy, but with none of the expense.

Now fancy styling the bicuspids! Nice to have dentition on our side.

Antelope Hats For Afternoon.

Paris. Antelope hats predominate in the afternoon stylescape. Natural chamois waistcoats and cape linings are outstanding spectator sports notes.

TRIMMING FOR ALMOST EVERYTHING

Paris. Soutache braiding is an important Spring trimming. It is appearing on everything from street frocks to bedjackets. Alexandrine is using it on her latest suede glove and bag ensembles.

18th Century In Fashion

Old Influence On Spring Styles.

BRIGHT ACCESSORIES

Paris. The clothes worn by the beauty of the eighteenth century when Louis XV ruled France have inspired some of the new spring clothes designed for modish moderns.

The fitted jackets, lacy jabots, the satins and cravat silks worn by the foppish dandies of nearly 200 years ago, have been adapted by Dilkusha (the Princess de Rohan) to the wardrobes of fashionable femininity. Most of them appear in the afternoon mode.

Suits of quilted black satin are designed with slender skirts and fitted jackets having flared tails longer in the back than in front. They are worn with crisp jabots of white elastic lace falling over the jacket front.

Shown in the Paris spring collection is Dilkusha's afternoon gown, fashioned of shiny black ace in which are woven figures from Aescop's fables. It has a shirred basque of white pique and a collar of the same fabric.

Afternoon coats appear in a reversible satin—black on one side, dull rose on the other—designed on slender fitted lines. A number of day coats appear with belts made of shimmering cords.

Accessories, so important an item in this spring's mode, are colourful and striking. Pale pink organdy butterflies with wings outlined in glistening black threads perch on the necklines of black afternoon frocks. Brown taffeta gloves with elastic satin palms appear with green woolstreet costumes. Domino and dice buttons fasten street and sports coats.

Sports suits appear in crisp linens and piques brightened by colourful accents. Costumes of beige crinkled linen, combining slender skirts and loose three-quarter length coats, are worn with short-sleeved blouses of multi-coloured pique or bright plaid cotton.

A pale blue cotton pique costume which unites a short-sleeved frock and hip jacket has bright red stitchings on joke and coat hem.



NEW CORSET IDEAS.

London. Corset makers are taking a lot of trouble to make corsets for the large figure which do not cry aloud that they are not for nymphs.

The newest Twilit foundation garment is made of satin and elastic in a new tea rose shade.

It has a discreet hook side fastening, the boning really is invisible, and the top is composed of cream needlerun lace made so that it dispenses with a brassiere.

Navy and White



Polka-dots make their spot-lights appearance on the lovely person of Frances Drake, screen siren. A combination of navy and white is used with a novel collar of narrow white pique. The bright red leather belt gives a note of colour and the short sleeved frock is charming in the extreme simplicity.

BRIGHT COLOURS FOR SUMMER.

Combinations That Lend For Attractiveness.

Prints are very boastful about colour for summer, but the old favourites, black and white or brown and white are no less smart than they ever were. White accents equally the things for these classic prints, although black and white prints are just a bit smarter with a dash of colour.

Scattered bright green or bright red punctuations in the black and white combinations in the black and white combinations are picked up in the sash or neckline colours, and very effectively.

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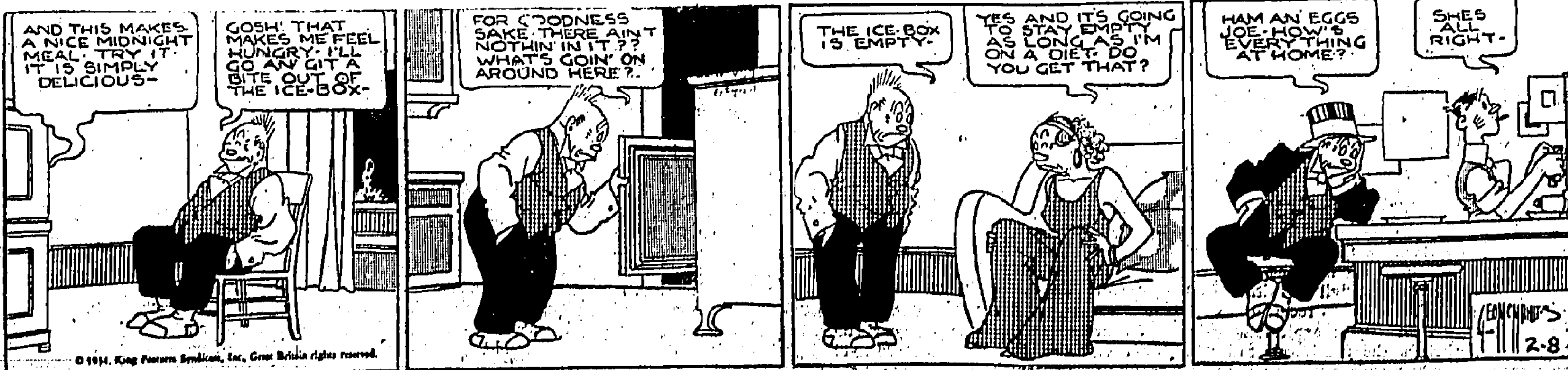
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THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th May, 1934, both days inclusive.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 8th MAY to 25th MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
A. W. HUGHES,
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Hong Kong, 30th April, 1934.

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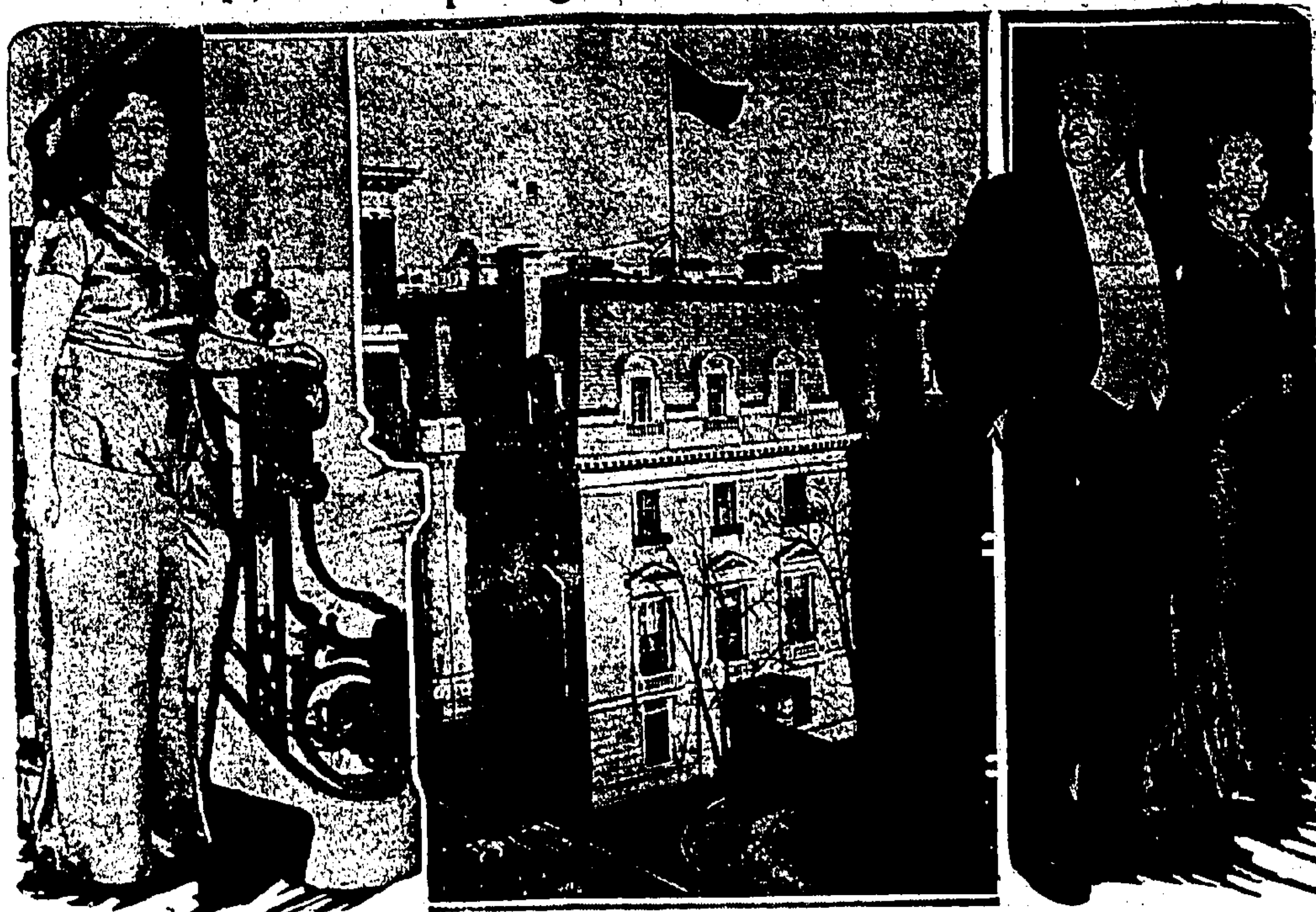
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BRIDGE NOTES

Difficult Trump Situation.

by Ely Culbertson.

When the Declarer finds that one opponent has five trumps to the King-Knave-nine-banked over the Ace-Queen-seven in Dummy and also that he must lose a trick in a plain suit, he cannot be blamed for congratulating himself if he succeeds in making a contract of four odd. Naturally, a contract such as this probably is not the ideal one in the combined hands. There is quite likely a safer road to game, and in the example given below a notrump contract would have been more logical and correct.

However, bidding is only a prediction of the tricks obtainable in actual play and no player can be expected to be letter-perfect in the prediction he makes as to adverse distribution of a suit when his opponents refuse to aid him with any information, not even that of a Penalty Double of a contract they expect to defeat. The hand which called forth this comment is:

North and South vulnerable.
North—
S—A K Q 5
H—A Q 7
D—Q J
C—A 8 6 2
West—
S—J 7 4 3 2
H—
D—K 9 8 6 4
C—J 7 3
East—
S—8 6
H—K J 9 5 4
D—10 7 5
C—9 5 4
South—
S—10 9
H—10 8 6 3 2
D—A 3 2
C—K Q 10

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs).

1—North has a very fine hand, but I would prefer a bid of one spade. Certainly it is not strong enough or a bid of two notrump.

2—South probably would be wiser to raise the two-no-trump bid to three, and, as is obvious, this contract is easily made against any Opening lead whatever. In fact, against East's most natural lead—a small heart—a five-odd will quite likely be made. However, South felt that he played the cards better than his partner and, after all, his bid offered a choice between a game contract in hearts and one in notrump. Thus the bid on the greatly shaded suit is explained if not justified.

3—With only a doubleton diamond, the raise to game in hearts is quite obvious.

VIENNA'S NEWSBOY LINGUIST.

Appointed Professor Of Languages.

Vienna.
A youth was selling newspapers in a Budapest cafe when a well-dressed man entered.

The newcomer held out a coin, but said nothing. The newsboy thought that the man could not speak Hungarian so he addressed him in faultless:

Italian, French, German and English.

The stranger asked the newsboy's name—in Hungarian. He was told that it was Lajos Lukacs.

Now, says the *Neues Wiener Journal*, the newsboy has received a letter appointing him a Professor of Languages. It was signed by M. Balint Homan, the Minister of Education.—Reuter.

4—The only reason, as East afterwards explained, that he did not double was that he did not wish to disclose the trump situation as he felt sure that high honours in the trump suit were in the Dummy. A Double would not be such a bad gamble by a non-vulnerable player as apparently he has 3 tricks in the trump suit and thus his partner is required to take but one.

West's Opening lead was the spade 3, which the declarer won in the Dummy with the Queen. Intending to immediately test out the trump situation, he then led a low club, won the trick in his own hand with the King and laid down the deuce of hearts.

When West failed to follow suit he played the Ace, realizing that he had a difficult situation confronting him if he was to fulfil his contract. He knew that West held at least four spades, and probably five, so the problem that presented itself concretely was to cash the top tricks before East had an opportunity to discard, and then seek to make a small trump or two in his own hand before eventually forcing East into an end-play situation which must permit the heart Queen in Dummy to win.

Therefore he now led a second round of clubs, winning with the Queen in his own hand, and returned the suit. When East followed suit he breathed easier. He next played the Queen of diamonds and permitted it to hold. West winning with the King, West now returned a spade, which was won in the Dummy and a spade returned and trumped. East discarding a diamond.

This really was in effect a species of Grand Coup as the spade chosen for trumping was the high card of the suit. The Dummy was re-entered by the return of a low diamond. Now the last club in Dummy was led and East, of course, was forced to trump. He played the Knave, shutting out the South hand; but thereafter could win but one more trump trick—namely, his King.

TO EXPLORE LAND OF HEADHUNTERS

Monoplane Taken To South Sea Isles.

PICTORIAL RECORD PLANNED

Miami, Florida.

With a fast monoplane stowed in its hold for aerial exploration over trackless wastes, the 500-ton yacht Southwind is being fitted out here for an expedition to the South Sea Islands and the land of the headhunters.

The Galapagos Islands, Komodo, Papeete, Tahiti, Samoa, New Caledonia, the great barrier reef and Bali will be visited by the expedition headed by Commander George M. Doyt of New York, who has spent a number of years in the tropical islands lying under the Southern Cross. He returned to this country a year ago after many months of searching in dense jungles of the upper Amazon River for a trace of William Fawcett, the British explorer.

Unusual species of tropical snakes and animals will be sought by the 24-man expedition, including the giant Komodo Lizard, said by Doyt to reach 27 feet in length.

Motion picture equipment is to be carried along to bring back a pictorial record of the activities of the headhunters, if efforts of the modern explorers meet with success.

The aeroplane, a two seater, for scouting the jungles for headhunters, will be flown by Bryan Sheedy of New York.—Reuter.

WHERE POLICE ARE "TOO FLABBY."

U.S. Town To Improve Their Figures.

Briarcliff Manor, New York.
Police officers of this town are "too flabby, too fat and too soft," from sitting in cars, on motorcycles and from sitting again at home when they go off duty, said Police Commissioner Catersen.

The matter was brought to the attention of the town board and it was generally agreed that something would have to be done to improve the figures of the local police. It was decided, therefore, to place the gymnasium of the Briarcliff High School at the disposal of the officers so that they may get themselves in trim by exercising.—Reuter.

PIGS HAVE HOMES IN MARBLE STIES

Prague.
Pigs are living in marble sties at Neresinre, Ruthenia. Villagers take stone to build their sheds and pigsties from a neighbouring quarry. To them it is just the cheapest material available—but it is marble all the same.—Reuter.

PATHETIC TALE OF U.S. SLAVE DAYS

Prince Unable To Explain Flight.

MISTAKEN FOR A NEGRO

Elizabethtown, North Carolina.

Near the top of a list of celebrated residents of Bladen County, is the name of an Arabian prince who was mistaken for a negro by African slave dealers and sold into slavery on a plantation near here.

He died many years ago, but the residents of Bladen County are honouring him, together with the other celebrated names, in their festivities.

His name is Prince Omeroh of Arabia. The story of his life, authenticated by the late Governor John Owen of North Carolina, removes all doubt as to his royal blood and it is one of the most pathetic stories ever told of the slave days.

An hereditary prince of the Foulah tribe in Arabia, he was seized by native negroes in West Africa and was sold by them to white slave traders. Eventually he was brought to Charleston, South Carolina where a plantation owner bought him on the auction block.

Soon afterwards the prince escaped from his master's cotton field and made his way to Fayetteville, North Carolina, only to be recaptured. The authorities clapped him in gaol while they tried to discover who owned him.

Omeroh could not speak English, nor the dialects of the African negroes. He tried to explain his plight in his native Arabic, but the sheriff had never heard that language and mistook him for a babbling lunatic. Governor Owen, who owned a big plantation nearby, heard of the prisoner and visited him out of curiosity. He was so impressed by the slave's courtly manner and fluent speech—even though it was unintelligible, to him—that he bought him for \$1,000.

He took the Prince to his plantation at Owen Hill, taught him the English language and made him a trusted servant in his household.

Freedom Declined

After he had learned English, the prince told Governor Owen of his royal heritage and of his wife and child far away in Arabia. The Governor later verified all the slave's statements with the aid of the American Bible Society and Evangelical missionaries in West Africa.

Years later the Governor offered Omeroh his freedom, but the latter declined, saying that he feared his family had either died or given him up for dead and would not accept him if he returned. Although a devout Mohammedan when he came to the United States, the Prince was converted

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcasted to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wave length of 355 metres (846 K.C.s):—

1-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room.
1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
Humorous Interlude from the Studio.

To-night.
Dance Music.
Dual Transmission To-night from "Z.B.K."

5-8 p.m.—European Programme.
5-7 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden.

7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, etc.
7.03-7.30 p.m.—Light Opera.

Vocal Gems—
H.M.S. Pinafore (Gilbert & Sullivan),
Columbia Light Opera Company.

Selection—
The Maid of the Mountains (Fraser-Simson),
London Palladium Orchestra.

Vocal Gems—Helen (Offenbach),
Columbia Light Opera Company.
7.30-8 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Humorous Interlude by Bryan Lewis Programme.

1. The Loch Ness Monster.
2. Runcorn Bridge.
3. Answers to some more correspondents.

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
8.03-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.

10.30 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.
10.35 p.m.—Close Down.

All Relays of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestras are by courtesy of the Management.
8.30-10 p.m.—European recorded programme from Z.B.K. on 640 kc's.
8.30-9.10 p.m.—A Concert.

Pianoforte Solo—
Schatz—Waltz (J. Strauss, arr. Dohnanyi),
Die Fledermaus—Du und Du—Waltz (J. Strauss, arr. Dohnanyi) Ernet von Dohnanyi.

Song—
Morgen, Op. 27, No. 4 (Strauss),
Ständchen, Op. 17, No. 2 (Strauss),
Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).
Cello Solo—
Elegie (Faure, Op. 24),
Maurice Marschal.

Song—
Midnight Revue (Glinka),
The Two Grenadiers (Schumann),
Theodore Chailapine (Bass).

Violin Solo—
Passepied (Delibes, arr. Gruenberg),
Tango (Albeniz, arr. Dushkin),
Felli d'Aranyi.

9.10-9.48 p.m.—Orchestral.
Leonore Overture No. 1 (Beethoven),
William Mengelberg and His Concertgebouw Orchestra.

Polonaise No. 2 (Liszt, arr. Muller Berghaus),
Berlin State Opera Orchestra.
Hungarian Dance, No. 5 in F Sharp Minor (Brahms),
Royal Opera Orch. Covent Garden.

Sleeping Beauty—Panorama (Tschalkowsky),
Shepherd Fennel's Dance (Balfour, arr. Gardiner),
Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden.

Elegiac Melody No. 1 (Grieg)—
Heartaches,
Elegiac Melody No. 2 (Grieg)—
The Last Spring,
Willem Mengelberg and His Concertgebouw Orchestra.

9.48-10 p.m.—Variety Items.
Instrumental—
Sweetheart Darlin'
I Cover the Waterfront,
Arranged for Eight Pianos.

Song—
Sans Toi—Tango Chante,
St Petite, Lucienne Boyer (Soprano).
10 p.m.—Close Down.

THREW HERSELF TO DEATH.

But Returns Home Uninjured.

Madrid.
Tired of life, at 24 an Alicante girl decided to take her life. Flung up the window of her room on the third floor, she threw herself into the street.

But she fell on the hood of a passing car. The car belonged to a doctor, who rushed her to a first-aid clinic, examined her thoroughly and then took her home again uninjured.—Reuter.

to Christianity and joined the Presbyterian Church. Reading English was always difficult to him; so Governor Owen, at great trouble and expense, obtained a bible for him written in Arabic. The book was preserved and is now in the library at Davidson College, near Charlotte, South Carolina.

After the Prince declined his freedom, he was adopted as a member of the Governor's family and lived at Owen Hill until his death, 49 years later.—Reuter.

Sporting Page

FAST TIMES ANTICIPATED AT TWO-DAY RACE MEETING

ABLE AMAZON MAY BREAK TRACK RECORD

Fast Trackwork Proves Fitness

MR. DEITZ RIDING ST. JOAN AND WOODLAND STAG

Prospects For Saturday

(By RAPIER)

Able Amazon looks like the winner of the Brisbane Spring Handicap over 1 1/4 miles on Saturday.

The other morning he moved beautifully over a mile gallop to clock 1.56.0. Not extended, he followed up opening quarters of 0.30.0, 0.31.0 and 0.28.0 with an effortless 0.27.0 finishing quarter. A last half in 0.56.0 is excellent trackwork!

Mr. Butler, however, is likely to be faced with very serious opposition from no fewer than four other ponies—Woodland Stag (Mr. Deitz), Mutiny Bay (Mr. Proulx), Bronze Era (Mr. Harriman), and Just That (Mr. Soares).

Woodland Stag's Distance

It will be interesting to see how the leading jockey will fare on the Dunbar track. I would not be in the least bit surprised if he won after all he has beaten Mutiny Bay, with Mr. Butler up, over the mile, and the extra quarter is just his distance. He has also a useful weight advantage.

Bronze Era, which won the Champions at the Annual Meeting with Mr. Deitz up, is a menace in this race under Mr. Harriman. His record of 2.24.2 is, however, likely to go in this event.

Mr. Johnnie Heard is taking out Bag Tor, and Mr. Taylor will probably have charge of Saucy Face. Atlas, considered by many not to have a chance over this distance, has yet to be given a jockey. It is, however, doubtful whether six furlong record-breaker will start.

St. Joan's Chance

The second Australian race should provide an interesting race between The Goose (Mr. Butler), Lucy Glitters (Mr. Proulx) and St. Joan (Mr. Deitz). The last mentioned pony at 140 lb. is not such a bad thing at all, while the whirlwind finish put in by Lucy Glitters (Mr. Black) at the last meeting is still fresh in racers' minds.

If Mr. Li Shu Pang decides to start Soldier of Britain in the May Handicap over six furlongs Mr. Deitz should secure a win, but there is more than a possibility that the pony may be held over for the Whitman Plate over 1 1/4 miles on Monday.

Cosack's Beauty (Mr. Butler), Sadko (Mr. Harriman) and King's Justice (Mr. Heard) are the only ponies worth considering for this event.

Monoplane, after his good showing over a mile and 171 yards the last time out, should be very near his first win over six furlongs on Saturday.

Budge, however, looks dangerous, and Tummler, Great Hall, and William Oiler are all in the hunt.

Win For Lemberg?

Lemberg's brilliant effort behind Prima Donna at the last Meeting leads one to expect him to win over the same distance in the second race on Saturday. Macaroni may, however, be the hem candidate. The race should be between these two.

Mr. Gilbert Harriman will have all his work cut out to bring Prima Donna home for her second successive win, as the mare will be carrying 7 lb. more on this outing over the same distance.

Though so disappointing in the St. George's Plate, Soldier of China, with Mr. Deitz up, is as good as any of the other ten entries.

Soldier of Germany may, however, start in the Lead Mine Handicap, in which case the race should be all the more interesting. He is carrying 6 lb. more than he was when he dead-beated with Lem-



Mrs. Roxy Adkins, Canadian hurdles star, who defeated Evelyn Hall, American champion hurdler, last year, pictured during a fast workout at New York just before she participated in the American Women's Track and Field Indoor Championships in Brooklyn, N.Y.

MR. S.A. SLEAP LEAVES ON SATURDAY

RIDES SHANGHAI RECORD BREAKER FOR 9 FURLONGS

MR. POTTS NEW STARTER

MR. S. A. SLEAP, THE POPULAR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB AND STARTER AT THE RACE MEETINGS AT HAPPY VALLEY, IS LEAVING THE COLONY BY THE S.S. CORFU ON SATURDAY ON FURLOUGH. HE WILL BE AWAY UNTIL DECEMBER, DURING WHICH PERIOD MR. ALEC POTTS WILL OFFICIATE AS STARTER.

Mr. Sleaf joined the Staff of the Jockey Club on July 1, 1931, and since that date he has been a familiar figure at Happy Valley, both at Race Meetings and at the early morning training gallops.

Between the introduction of the present starting gates at the Valley, at the Annual Race Meeting in 1931, and the Third Extra Race Meeting this year Mr. Sleaf started every race. At the Third Extra Meeting Mr. Alec Potts started two races, in preparation for taking over during Mr. Sleaf's absence.

Hong Kong is not the only place at which Mr. Sleaf has had experience of starting races. He was for several years Assistant Official Starter on the Shanghai Race Course, although he was only connected with that Club as an ordinary member. It is not only as a starter that Mr. Sleaf has had experience on the racecourse. For 19 years in Shanghai he was one of the keenest jockeys, although he will not admit that he was very good.

He was riding in the days when Mr. "Johnny" Heard, Mr. J. K. Brand and Mr. R. F. Stewart were in their prime, but in spite of this a Shanghai record still stands to Mr. Sleaf's credit. I believe it was 1922 that he rode Henry VIII to a win in a nine furlong race to pay \$780 for a win and to set up a record of 2.20.0 which still challenges Shanghai's best.

The first record for this distance was set by Prima Donna in the St. George's Plate. Mr. Soares might quite easily do it this time.

Tillicum's Challenge King's Fancy should not be so far away in the Customs Handicap. Tillicum is in at a light weight and six furlongs in his distance. Wayward Stag is also a distinct possibility. Spinaway is, however, the most dangerous.

The Pineapple Handicap should provide Copper Idol with another win, in spite of his heavy weight impost. Classic Hall and Cavalcade are more than likely to place.

Burgomaster for the Novice! A bold forecast, but Mr. Gregory's ride on the pony at the Third Extra was very impressive.

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RECORDS LIKELY TO BE BROKEN

Australians On Dry Course for Change

PROMISE OF EXCELLENT TWO-DAY MEET

Jockeys and owners are hoping for a continuation of the present fine weather, feeling certain that with a dry track at Happy Valley some startling figures will be put up, especially by this season's Australian ponies.

It is significant to note that all records broken so far this season have been by the new Australians—all under the handicap of a wet and muddy course.

With a dry course, the racing at the Fifth Extra Meeting should prove to be the best witnessed this season.

The new records made by Australian Ponies this season are as follows:

5 furlongs—1.05.3—Able Amazon, (E. O. Butler) in the Newbridge Handicap on March 31.

5 furlongs—1.05.3—Just That, (N. Deitz), in the St. Kilda Handicap on March 31.

6 furlongs—2.40.1—Atlas (N. Deitz) in the Charters Towers Handicap on April 28.

1 1/4 Miles—2.24.2—Bronze Era (N. Deitz), in the Australian Ponies Championships on March 3.

1 mile 171 yards—Racing Heart, (H. M. Pih), in the Adelaide Stakes on February 28.

THE 1935 SUBS.

80 Griffins And 40 Australians

ALL FULLY SUBSCRIBED

The number of China Pony Subscription Griffins for next season of the Hong Kong Jockey Club is limited to 80, which number has already been fully subscribed.

Australian Subscription Ponies have already been fully subscribed to the limited number of 40.

These ponies have already been ordered for next season, and it is expected that the Australian Ponies will arrive in Hong Kong in August, and the China Ponies in September.

The names of the subscribers to the new ponies have not yet been disclosed, and it will be only after the allotment after their arrival that the names will be published.

LADIES WANT RACE AT EACH MEETING

Macao Club To Consider Proposal

NEXT MEETING ON JUNE 10

The programme has been arranged for the Second Extra Race Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, to be held on the Arcis Preta track on Sunday, June 10, although the Stewards have not yet finally passed it for publication.

There are to be seven races at this Meeting, one of which will be the usual Ladies' event.

Entries will close on Thursday, May 31.

The lady jockeys, under the leadership of Miss Fenton, have approached the Macao Jockey Club, officials, expressing the wish that a Ladies' Race be held at every Macao meeting in the future.

The question as to whether an extra meeting will be held at Macao in place of the meeting which was to have been held last Sunday and which was unavoidably cancelled owing to lack of entries, will be discussed at the forthcoming meeting of the Stewards, at which the programme of the next meeting will be passed.

It was in 1912 that the present regime of racing in Shanghai started, the two-meeting years giving place to the present full racing programme. It was in this year that the present management of the Shanghai Jockey Club came into being.

Experience in Calcutta Shanghai is the only scene of Mr. Sleaf's racing activities, although he did quite a lot of hacking when in Hong Kong.



MISS YEUNG SAU KING won two swimming titles at the Far East Games yesterday.

WOMEN OWNERS ON AMERICAN TURF

Playing An Increasingly Important Part

ACTIVITIES OF WHITNEY FAMILY

Women are playing an increasingly important part in the American turf world. As recently as five years ago, it was a rare occurrence for a woman to win a race, but now more and more of them—those who can afford the big expense which keeping a stable entails—are maintaining their own stables and winning important races.

Mrs. Payne Whitney is known as the Doyenne of American women racers, while the retire Whitney family is the mainstay of thoroughbred racing in this country.

Her husband cared nothing about horses, but after his death in 1927, Mrs. Payne Whitney organized the Green-tree Stable. She has big breeding farms in Kentucky and at Red Bank, New Jersey, the latter place having a quarter-mile covered track which can be used no matter what the weather is like outside.

Show Place

Her Belmont Park stable is one of the show-places of that famous racing centre, which Lord Derby once referred to as one of the most lovely tracks in the world. Mrs. Whitney is one of the guarantors of the track's deficit.

In three years, Twenty Grand, who took the Kentucky Derby for her in 1931, won \$260,840, but it costs between \$250,000 and \$500,000 a year to maintain a large stable and most of the owners have to dig deep into their pockets.

Mrs. John Hay Whitney, of New York and Upperville, Virginia, is the former Elizabeth Altemus of Philadelphia, and the daughter-in-law of Mrs. Payne Whitney. Becoming interested in racing after her marriage, she has now more horses than her mother-in-law while her stable is exceeded in size only by that of her cousin, Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney.

Last year she won the richest race in the world, the \$100,000 Belmont Futurity, with Singing Wood.

Other Owners

A woman who owns an unusually large stable is Mrs. Dodge Sloane. It is the Brookmeade Stable. Her horse Time Clock won the Florida Derby last winter and Insider won such important races as the Arlington Classic at Chicago and the Travers at Saratoga, in 1933.

Mrs. Charles Shipman, who has been racing for only a year or two, is building up the Manhasset Stable with Mrs. Thomas Laughlin. Mrs. R. C. Phipps, sister of Mr. Ogden Mills, former Secretary of the Treasury, maintains the Wheatley Stable, in which her brother used to be interested.

Mrs. James Austin takes an active interest in training her own horses. Her Catawba Stable was distinguished last year by Mr. could outride him.

92 ENTRIES FOR HONG KONG BOWLS OPEN

Champion Not To Defend Title.

DRAW ON MONDAY

A total of 92 entries, only 5 short of last year's figure, have been received for the Open Singles Championship event of the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association.

The entries closed on Monday with 50 entries for the pairs competition and 24 entries for the rink competition.

A Hyde Lay, the holder of the Singles Championship, is on home leave and will not defend his title, but R. F. Luz, last year's runner-up, and many former holders are competing.

The draw will take place on Monday evening.

The following are the complete entries for the Open championships organised by the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association:

SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP (Holder—A. Hyde Lay)

Kowloon Bowling Green Club:—R. Duncan, J. S. Logan, J. G. Meyer, V. Petherick, S. Randle and J. Watson. Club de Recreo:—H. A. S. Alves, A. H. Basto, B. Basto, C. H. Basto, J. J. Basto, Dr. R. A. Castro-Basto, A. S. Gomes, L. A. Gutierrez, J. E. Noronha, J. G. Osorio, F. V. V. Ribeiro, C. G. Silva, F. X. M. da Silva, E. de Souza and F. A. Xavier.

Craigengower C. C.:—Y. Abbas, R. Basa, H. Beer, B. W. Bradbury, J. C. Cavanagh, A. E. Coates, G. Duncan, W. V. Field, W. Gill, J. S. Landolt, R. F. Luz, M. J. Medina, U. M. Omar, W. Ward and Dr. V. N. Altemza.

Civil Service C. C.:—A. Armstrong, A. O. Brown, A. W. Grimmit, J. H. Hodgkin, F. J. Jones, P. E. Knight, L. Luck, John Pooler, J. M. Purvis, E. W. Simmons, C. Strange, L. R. Whant and B. Williams.

Police R. C.:—A. E. Carey, A. E. Clarke, R. Ellis, W. Glendenning, T. R. Hunter, W. Mair, W. McLeod, G. C. Moss, F. Nolan, G. Perkins and E. G. Post.

Kowloon C. C.:—J. S. Dinnen, P. O. Dunne, T. Ferguson, E. C. Fincher, J. Fraser, H. Gittins, H. Hampton, J. H. Jack, A. Jones, W. M. Macleay, H. Over, R. P. Phillips, A. E. Silvestone, W. C. Simpson, C. J. Tacchi and J. Smith.

Taikoo R. C.:—T. F. Stainton and N. Drummond.

Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club:—A. Chapman and A. Macfarlane.

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47,900 TICKETS SOLD

Sea-Captain Raises Sweep Figures

The number of tickets sold for the mammoth \$100 Sweep, to be drawn on the Jelling Stakes at the Sixth Extra Race Meeting, on June 2, has now reached 47,900.

The number of tickets has been limited to 100,000, but the Hong Kong Jockey Club, at present estimate that the maximum sales will be approximately 75,000.

One client this week, a sea-captain, bought an "Through" ticket on the coming two-day meeting. He also purchased ten books of \$1.00 Sweep tickets.

BLAZONRY WITHDRAWN FROM DERBY

Lord Howard Dewalden's Blazonry has been scratched from the Derby, which will be run over 1 1/4 miles at Epsom on June 6.

The colt was unable to complete his training owing to mishap.—Reuter.

Khayyam, winner of the American Derby.

Pole Ponies

Not all women horse-owners go in for straight racing. The late Mrs. Thomas Hitchcock "Sr." who was known as "The Mother of American Polo" and who died in April from the effects of injuries sustained in a fall from a horse last December, was interested only in polo ponies and jumpers.

She taught polo, not only to her son, Mr. Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., but to most of the leading players in the East. Even in the last few years she was one of the few who could outride him.

ESSEX ALL OUT FOR 220

O'Reilly 6 for 79 and Nichols 62 Not Out.

SLOW SCORING AT LEYTON

London, To-day.

The Australians have beaten Worcester and Cambridge University, and have drawn with Leicester, and the M.C.C. in the course of their four matches to date. They will meet England in the first Test at Trent Bridge on June 6.

W. J. O'Reilly, Sutcliffe's "bogey" bowler, claimed 6 for 79. —Reuter.

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ENGLISH SOCCER SETBACK

Czecho Slovakia Win By Odd Goal.

30,000 WITNESS GAME

Prague to-day.

A crowd of 30,000 saw England suffer a second soccer defeat on the Continent when Czecho Slovakia won by the odd goal in three yesterday, after sharing two goals in the first half. —Reuter.

England's first defeat occurred last Thursday when Hungary recorded a well deserved victory by 2 goals to 1 at Budapest. The Regent was among the 40,000 who watched the game on that occasion.

Hong Kong Electric R. C.:—J. F. Lunny, A. F. Paul, L. de Rome, J. K. Sloan, N. M. Currie and W. H. B. Musket.

Indian R. C.:—A. M. Runjahn.

Hong Kong Football Club:—J. J. Gregory and A. Brookbank.

PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

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RELAY AT WAH TAI
COLLEGE MEETING

Six records were shattered at the Wah Tai College's second annual athletic meeting at Caroline Hill yesterday, in which 6 records were broken.

Securing the "double" by winning the 200 Metres and the Long Jump, and being placed second in the 400 Metres and the High Jump, Hang Hok Shan secured the Victor Ludorum prize.

In the 400 Metres Senior Leung Sat Sang ran well to break the former record by a third of a second. He led all the way, but at the finish he was seriously challenged by Hang Hok Shan who picked up splendidly.

The Ladies' 100 Metres event was won by Miss Kon Con Law, a 14-year-old Chinese.

Leung Fook Yue ran a good race in the 800 Metres to beat the existing record by 5.3/5 secs. He and Pithie Pail (2nd) ran, unplaced in the first lap, but both came through in the next. Leung speedily left Pail in the last lap to win by 15 yards.

Swimmer Second on Bicycle The 3000 Metres Bicycle Race proved to be one of the most interesting events of the afternoon.

Mak Wai Ming, the well-known Chinese swimmer, was leading until the last five yards when Lui Yue Chan made a magnificent start to beat Mak by half a wheel. Only one accident occurred, but

Lawn Bowls

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A. Jones, W. Mulcahy, T. W. Carr and E. Kern;
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Switzerland:—S. Geiser, E. Kern.
Wales:—J. Channing.

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FAR EASTERN SPORT RECORDS SMASHED

"B" DIVISION LAWN
TENNIS TO-DAY.Four Matches Down
For Decision

Eight teams will open the 1934 "B" Division Lawn Tennis League season this afternoon.

The Chinese Recreation Club, victorious in the four Lawn Tennis Leagues last year will not be fielding such a strong team this year, as the calls of their three teams in the "A" Division is a severe drain on the resources of the Club.

The programme for this afternoon is:
Kowloon C.C. v. University
South China A.A. v. Indian R.C.
Chinese R.C. v. Graduates Association
Club de Recreo v. Hong Kong C.C.

NO MIXED DOUBLES
ON MONDAY

Next Week's Games.

Monday, being a public holiday, no Mixed Doubles lawn tennis league matches have been arranged for that date.

In connection with the "B" Division fixtures for Thursday, May 24, it is pointed out that exhibition matches are likely to be staged on that date against the Japanese Far Eastern Olympic team, and Clubs may, by mutual arrangement, play off their ties on Wednesday.

The following is the programme for next week:

"A" Division.
(Tuesday, May 22.)
Craigengower v. Chinese R.C. "A"
Chinese R.C. "B" v. Club de Recreo
South China v. Chinese R.C. "C"
Indian R.C. v. S.R.C.
Kowloon C.C. v. Hong Kong C.C.
"B" Division.
(Thursday, May 24.)
Indian R.C. v. University
Kowloon C.C. v. Graduates Ass.
South China v. Hong Kong C.C.
Chinese R.C. v. Club de Recreo
"C" Division.
(Friday, May 25.)
Kowloon Section.
Central British v. Kowloon C.C.
Kowloon Indians v. South China
Club de Recreo v. Kowloon B.G.C.
K'loon Deck R.C. v. Deutscher Klub
Hong Kong Section.
Radio Sports v. Civil Service
Indian R.C. v. Police R.C.
Chinese R.C. v. University
Army T.C. v. Craigengower

TEDDY FINCHER WINS

In the only match played yesterday afternoon in the Handicap Singles "A" of the Kowloon C.C. tournament, E. C. Fincher defeated F. A. Broadbridge by scores of 6-4, 6-1.

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TO-DAY.

Lawn Tennis—"B" Division.—
Kowloon C.C. v. University
South China A.A. v. Indian R.C.
Chinese R.C. v. Graduates Ass.
Club de Recreo v. Hong Kong C.C.

TO-MORROW
Lawn Tennis—"C" Division.—
(Hong Kong Section)
Civil Service C.C. v. Indian R.C.
Chinese R.C. v. Radio Sports
Army T.C. v. Police R.C.
C.C.C. v. University
(Kowloon Section)
Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon Indians
Club de Recreo v. Central British
Kowloon Dock v. South China A.A.
Deutscher Klub v. Kowloon B.G.C.

FAR EAST OPEN
PISTOL SHOOT.Burlingame Wins
With High Score.

Sgt. M. K. Burlingame, of Nichols Field, won the Far Eastern Olympic open pistol shot with a total score of 488 out of a possible 600 points. Had he fired this score on the United States international teams which shot in 1912, 1918, 1920 or 1922, he would in each case have had the second high score on the team.

Since in each of these years, except in 1922, the U.S. team won the world's championship, it may readily be seen that Burlingame's score ranks high in international shooting.

RESULTS TO-DATE

Football.

CHINA 2 PHILIPPINES 0
JAVA 7 JAPAN 1
CHINA 2 JAYA 0
JAPAN 4 PHILIPPINES 3

Basketball.

CHINA 42 JAPAN 27
PHILIPPINES 51 JAPAN 35
CHINA 48 JAPAN 47

Lawn Tennis.

JAPAN 4 CHINA 1
PHILIPPINES 4 JAYA 1

Volleyball.

PHILIPPINES 3 JAPAN 1
CHINA 3 JAPAN 2
PHILIPPINES 3 CHINA 0
PHILIPPINES 3 JAPAN 0
JAPAN 3 CHINA 1

Baseball.

PHILIPPINES 25 CHINA 1
JAPAN 20 CHINA 1
PHILIPPINES 7 JAPAN 0
PHILIPPINES 14 CHINA 0

Pistol Shooting.

PHILIPPINES 1152 CHINA 859

High Jump.

PHILIPPINES 1ST
JAPAN 2ND

Long Jump.

JAPAN

Discus Throw.

PHILIPPINES 1,500 Metres.

JAPANESE SWIMMERS' EXHIBITION

CHINA HAS POOR DAY
AT OLYMPIADTRACK AND SWIMMING
RECORDS SHATTERED50 METRES WORLD AQUATIC
MARK IN DANGER

Manila, To-day.
CHINA experienced an unhappy day yesterday, the Far Eastern contingent losing two major contests, while the Japanese hung up new records for both the Track and swimming events.

The Chinese Girls' swimming performance was the bright spot of the entire day, the girls' showing being splendid and their style being loudly applauded by enthusiastic crowd.

Bautista, the Philippines' collegiate pitching ace proved a nemesis to the Chinese team, hurling a no-hit no-run game in the second encounter of the baseball. The Chinese team were entirely puzzled by his pitching, while the Filipinos combed the Chinese pitchers at will.

The bright spot for China developed when the Committee decided not to allow the award in the Chinese and Philippine basketball game to go to the Philippines. There will be a replay on Sunday.

JAPANESE
SWIMMERS'
EXHIBITIONTentative Programme
For V.R.C. Gala.

RELAY TEAM NOMINATED

A tentative programme for the forthcoming swimming exhibition by the Japanese Olympic swimmers at the Victoria Recreation Club on Wednesday, May 23, has been drawn up as follows:—

100 yards free styled
400 yards free style.
880 yards free style.
100 yards back stroke.
220 yards breast stroke.

A team race V.R.C. v. Japan. (four-a-side).
It is hoped to start the exhibition at 9.30 p.m., and dancing will follow the swimming events.

V.R.C. Swimmers In Action.
It has been suggested that two V.R.C. swimmers, probably W. Lawrence and E. B. da Roza, will swim against the Japanese entrants for the 100 yards event, the V.R.C. swimmers covering only 50 yards each.

The V.R.C. team for the replay will probably be composed of W. Lawrence, E. B. da Roza, L. Roza, Pereira and A. W. Smith.

Admission prices will be Members \$1, Non Members \$2 and Ladies \$1.

CLEAN SWEEP FOR
CHINESE WOMEN.Three Events Carried
Off In Fast Time.

Manila, To-day.

The Chinese women made a clean sweep in the swimming events for ladies yesterday. The 50 metres free style was won by Miss Yeung Sau King, China's leading swimmer over all distances, in 36.9 secs.

The 200 metres breast stroke was won by Miss Yeung Sau King in 3 mins. 6.3/5 secs., the second and third being also Chinese.

In the 200 metres relay race, the Chinese ladies won easily in 2 mins. 41.7 secs., the team being composed of the Misses Lau Kwai Chan, Chan Woon King, Leung Wing Han and Yeung Sau King.—Reuter.

GENERAL DISCONTENT AT THE GAMES

Manila, Yesterday.
The entire crowds at the Olympic Games in Manila are seething with discontent as the result of official actions, as well as the inability of the management to handle the huge crowds which are overflowing the Stadium.

Part of the Philippine delegation stayed a strike to-day, and their entire basketball team was temporarily missing as the result of the alleged discourteous treatment of their families, who were denied admittance to the match.

This dispute, however, appears to be settled now.
The Chinese delegation protested against Tuesday night's basketball game, when they learned that the referee had declared the con-

test forfeited to the Philippines, because the Chinese refused to take the court after the game had been interrupted by the heavy rain.

This matter has been referred to the Committee and will not be decided until later.
Girls' Volleyball Protest.
The Chinese Girls' Volleyball team protested against their defeat at the hands of the Filipinos, alleging that the referee had given unfair decisions.

The American owned Bulletin seems to think that this protest is well founded.
The Japanese have protested against their defeat at the hands of the Chinese in the volleyball

The Japanese defeated China by three sets to one at Volleyball in the finest exhibition given up to date.

The splendid attack and defence of both sides kept the issue doubtful until the final whistle.

The scores were 22/20, 25/25, 27/21, 15/21.

Both track and field records topped steadily in spite of the wet track, the Japanese leading but the Philippines showing keen opposition throughout. China was not placed, except in the long jump in which she came fourth.

High Jump Record

Amante (Philippines) set a new Discus record of 139yds. 7 inches and 1/4. Tanaka (Japan) established a record for the 1,500 metres in 4 mins. 35 secs. Tajima set a record for Japan in the long jump with 7.3 metres.

Toribio (Philippine) created a record in the high jump event with 6 feet 4 inches.

Trials made by Yoshioka (Japan) cracked both the 100 and 200 metres records, the former in 10.6 and the latter in 21.6 secs.

Murakami (Japan) and Casia (Philippines) tied in the trials of the 110 metres high hurdles in 16 secs. flat, both breaking the Far Eastern record.

The 400 metres low hurdles, which is a new event in the Philippines, was broken by one of the Filipino contestants in the record time of 53.4 secs. In the 400 metres trials, the Philippines led, but the records were not broken.

The Japanese took the finals of the long jump Kajima winning with 7.3 metres. Toribio of the Philippines jumped off the finals of the high jump with Azukima, Japan winning with 6 feet 4 inches. In this event Wu Pih-sien of China was placed fourth.

New Swimming Figures

Records were also broken in the swimming events, Tayada of Japan winning the first heat of the 50 metres free style in 26.4/5 secs., which is a new record for the Far East and is only one second behind the World's record.

The entire field in the 200 metres breast stroke event broke the Far Eastern record, Toyko of Japan leading in 2 mins. 45.1/5 secs.

The 400 metres free style mark was also broken by Shimma of Japan who led the field in 4 mins. 56.1/5 secs, three other Japanese also breaking the record.—Reuter.

ELEVEN FINALS
TO-DAYJapan Expected To
Secure Wins

PROBABLE STARTERS

Eleven finals in the track and field events will be decided at the Far Eastern Championship Games at the Rizal Stadium to-day.

Japan are still the favourites in the athletic events, and it is anticipated that they will recover much lost ground on the results of today's games.

To-day's programme is as follows:

1. 100 Metres—Final
2. Shot Putt—Final
3. 400 Metres—Final
4. 110 Metres Hurdles—Final
5. Pole Vault—Final
6. 10,000 Metres—Final
7. Javelin Throw—Final
8. 200 Metres—Final
9. Running, Hop, Step and Jump—Final
10. 400 Metres Hurdles—Final
11. 500 Metres—Final

The following are the competitors:

100-Metres:—
Yoshioki, Japan; Tokagasaki, Japan; Saloda P.I.

De Leon and Gonzaga, P. I.; Anno, Japan.

Shot Putt:—

Cheng Pao Chin, Lang Bei Kei, Lim Ching-Shan, China; Abe, Kajiro, Fugita, Japan; Amante, Branzuela, Buey, and Ray P. I.

Cheng Pao Chin, Lang ... S.; H 400 Metres:—

Masuda, Japan, Candgri, P.I.; Estrada, P.I.; Suzuki, Japan

Yoshiizumi Japan Doguzman, P.I.

110 High Hurdles:—

Marakami, Japan; Banale and May P.I.

Ravello and Casia, P. I.; Adachi, Japan.

Pole Vault:—

Fo Po, China; Adachi, Kanaki, Oe, Matsumati, Japan; Sujeco and Asuncion P. I.

10,000-Metres:—

Tanaki, Suzuki, Ryu, Najima, Japan; Cheng Shu Sen, Wang Chen Lin, China; Raulo, Zaens, Ephross, P. I.

Javelin Throw:—

Bang Yung Shing, Wang Chai Hui, Huh Chun Teh, China; Yoshima, Akobani, Ryn, Nagao, Suzuki, Japan; Armero, Barte and Antonio, P. I.

200-Metres:—

Yoshioki, Japan; Gonzaga and Cristobal, P.I.

Second heat—Salcedo, P.I.; Tama-guchi and Sagaki Japan.

400 Metres Low Hurdles:—

1st Heat:—

Onno, Japan; Eva Alhambra, P.I.

2nd Heat:—

Fukui, Japan; White, P. I.; Ichikawa, Japan.

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Hong Kong, 11th April, 1934.

Commerce and Finance.

LIQUIDATION OVER STOCK MARKET.

Divorcement Must Be Before June 16.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.

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graphic Messages Ordinance, 1934, Re-
ceived May 17, 10:53 a.m.)

Washington, To-day.

It is pointed out that a giantic
 amount of liquidation is
 hanging over the American stock
 market, namely stocks held by
 banks and security for affiliated
 concerns, who must be complete-
 ly divorced from the banks by
 June 16.

In the majority of instances, di-
 vorcement involves the selling of
 the affiliates' securities, which is
 pure deflation and is bound to af-
 fect prices.

Recent declines are partly attri-
 butable to similar liquidation and
 more is forthcoming.

It is pointed out, however, that
 if the market develops a firm-
 tone it might be worked of with-
 out serious consequences.—United
 Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

STOCK EXCHANGE CONTROL.

Roosevelt Favours House Version Of Bill.

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt has declared
 emphatically for the regulation of
 stock exchanges by the Federal
 Trade Commission, as proposed in
 the House of Representatives, ver-
 sion of the Control Bill instead of
 by a new commission as the Senate
 favoured.

The President likewise informed
 the members of both Houses in con-
 ference that he desires stringent
 marginal requirements of 45 per
 cent, as specified in the House of
 Representatives' version of the Bill.
 —Reuter.

CONCESSION TO N.Y. SAVINGS BANKS.

Eligible As Members Of Federal Reserve.

Albany, To-day.

The Governor of New York State,
 Mr. Herbert H. Lehman, yesterday
 signed a Bill permitting savings
 banks to become members of the
 Federal Reserve system and, the
 Federal Deposit Insurance Corpora-
 tion.—Reuter.

INTERNATIONAL TIN SCHEME.

Buffer Stock Secrecy In France.

Paris, To-day.

The International Tin Com-
 mittee meeting to discuss the
 buffer stock scheme has main-
 tained the utmost secrecy. It is
 rumoured that the meeting
 agreed to buffer together the
 necessary increase in quota, but
 the truth is at present un-
 known.—Reuter.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Yesterday.

Paris 77 13/32
 New York 5.10 1/2
 Montreal 5.10 1/2
 Brussels 21.65
 Geneva 15.71
 Amsterdam 7.53 1/2
 Milan 60 1/16
 Stockholm 19.40
 Oslo 19.90 1/2
 Berlin 12.91 1/2
 Copenhagen 22.39 1/2
 Vienna 28
 Helsinki 22 1/2
 Prague 12 1/2
 Madrid 87 5/16
 Athens 53 3/4 Sellers
 Belgrade 22 1/2
 Montevideo 88 1/4
 Lisbon 110
 Bucharest 510
 Rio 4 1/2
 Buenos Aires 86
 Shanghai 1 1/2
 Bombay 1 1/2
 Hong Kong 1 1/2
 Yokohama 1 1/2
 Forward 19 1/2
 Warpan 102 1/2
 Sellers Official

Not profit from operations of
 American Asiatic Underwriters,
 Federal Inc. U.S.A., for the past
 year amounted to \$384,365.29 as
 compared with \$253,183.15 net
 earnings for 1932, a gain of \$131-
 232.14, it was disclosed by reports
 to the annual board of directors' meeting.

After deduction of losses from
 sale of investments and expenses
 chargeable to previous years the
 1933 surplus was \$344,808.87
 which plus \$292,285.05 brought
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 dividends of \$129,870.68 gives a
 surplus of \$507,223.24 to report to
 the annual general meeting on
 May 16.

The Directors declared a
 dividend of \$1.40 per share which
 will require \$105,000.00 and will
 recommend to shareholders the fol-
 lowing further appropriations:

To increase the reserve
 against overdue accounts
 \$100,000.00
 To increase the general re-
 serve from \$200,000.00 to
 \$300,000.00
 To pay bonuses to staff
 \$20,000.00
 To carry forward \$20,781.09

British Wireless Service.

COTTON, SILVER AND WHEAT

Latest Quotations.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKETS

New York, May 17.

The American Oriental Fi-
 nance Corporation have received
 the following quotations on
 the New York cotton and wheat,
 rubber, silk and silver exchanges
 on the Commodity Exchanges Inc.
 New York:—
 Closing Commodity Price on
 May 16:

SILVER.

Silver: Commodity Exchange Inc.

of New York:

May 15 Range May 16 Range
 July 44.39 44.57 44.54 44.54
 Sept. 44.70 44.70 44.74 44.74
 Dec. 44.77 44.77 44.90 44.90
 Mar. 45.07 45.07 45.20 45.20

Total sales for the day:—
 45 contracts of — 208 contracts of
 25,000 ozs. each 25,000 ozs. each
 Market:—Dull.

RUBBER.

Rubber: Commodity Exchange Inc.

of New York:

May 15 Range May 16 Range
 May 13.08 13.08 12.75 12.75
 July 13.23 13.23 12.90 12.91
 Sept. 13.54 13.54 13.20 13.22
 Dec. 13.86 13.86 13.53 13.54

Standard No. 1 "B" Contract.
 Total sales for the day:—
 866 contracts — 497 contracts

SILK.

Silk: Commodity Exchange Inc.

of New York:

May 15 Range May 16 Range
 May 1.23 1.25 1.21 1.23 1/2
 Sept. 1.25 1.26 1.25 1.25 1/2
 Dec. 1.26 1.26 1.25 1.25

SUGAR.

Sugar: New York Sugar & Coffee

Exchange:

May 15 May 16
 May 1.48 1.48
 July 1.50 1.49
 September 1.56 1.56
 Market:—Quiet.

COTTON.

Cotton: New York Cotton Ex-
change:

May 15 Range May 16 Range
 May 11.23 11.23 11.29 11.29
 July 11.31 11.32 11.39 11.40
 Oct. 11.46 11.47 11.56 11.56
 Dec. 11.69 11.69 11.68 11.68
 Jan. 11.66 11.66 11.74 11.74
 Mar. 11.76 11.76 11.84 11.84

Middling Spot 11.45 11.55

WHEAT.

Wheat: Chicago Board of Trade:

May 15 May 16
 May 88 90 1/2
 July 86 1/4 88 1/4
 September 86 1/2 89 1/2

Total sales for the day:—
 40,000,000 — 20,000,000
 bushels bushels

AMERICAN GOLD PRICE:

(WASHINGTON).

May 15 May 16
 U.S. Treasury Gold
 Price, per oz. \$35.00 \$35.00

A.A.U. NET PROFIT OF \$384,365.29

Gain of \$131,232.14 on 1932

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British Wireless Service.

Jungle Survivor and Bushmen



A picture from the album of Newton C. Marshall, showing the American engineer with two natives of the wild Choco district of Colombia. It was Indians of this type that rescued Marshall when he was lost in the jungle for three weeks following the plane crash that killed his four companions.

RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING CO.

Interim Dividend Of Six Pence Per Share.

The Secretary of the Hong Kong
 Stock Exchange has received a
 telegram from Messrs. Derrick and
 Company, Singapore, local agents
 for the Raub Australian Gold
 Mining Co., Ltd., which reads as
 follows:—
 "An interim dividend of six pence
 per share has been declared by the
 Raub Australian Gold Mining Co.,
 Ltd., for the year ending March 31,
 1935, and is payable on June 15."

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—

T. T. 1/4%
 On demand 1/4%
 Four months' sight 1/6
 Credits 4 months' sight 1/5 1/2

On New York—

On demand 36
 Credits 60 days' sight 37 1/2

On Paris—

On demand 545
 Credits 4 months' sight 585

On India—

On T.T. and demand 93 1/2
 On Shanghai—
 On demand 110 1/4

On Japan—

On demand 118 1/2
 On Manila—
 On demand 71 1/2

On Singapore—

On demand 60
 On Batavia—
 On demand 62 1/2

On Saigon—

On demand 54 1/2
 On Bangkok—
 On demand 131 1/2

Boverlois bank buy-
 ing rate 1/5 1/2
 Bar Silver, per oz. 19 1/2
 Bar Silver in Hong
 Kong nom.
 Copper Cash nom.
 Copper Cents 1% prem.
 Rate of Native Interest 3 1/2% p.a.
 Chinese Sub. Coin 8 1/2% dis.
 Hong Kong Sub. Coin par.

CASTLE PEAK MURDER

(Continued from Page 9.)

terms with deceased. On the morn-
 ing of the incident he had met a
 girl under the floor of a match-
 shed, he stated, occurred after eat-
 ing fruit with deceased. Deceased
 had seen him with the girl, and had
 shouted to him.

Later, not feeling well, he had
 taken some medicine, which smelt

EMPIRE'S CANCER CAMPAIGN

HONG KONG TO AID FIGHT AGAINST DISEASE

DUKE OF YORK'S APPEAL

On Empire Day, May 24, a special appeal to the Colony for funds on behalf of the British Empire Cancer Campaign in aid of Cancer Research work will be made.

It has been arranged that this appeal for so worthy a cause will take the form of a flag day, and it is hoped that a considerable sum will be collected to assist in the fight against the cancer scourge. Subscriptions may be sent to the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation or to Sir William Shenton.

A lecture on this ravishing disease will be broadcast at a later date by Dr. J. H. Montgomery, whose authority on this subject is well known.

The following correspondence has been received by His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., from the General Secretary of the British Empire Cancer Campaign.

(To His Excellency Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E.)

Sir,—I am directed by the Grand Council of the British Empire Cancer Campaign to approach you on the following matter.

You will recall in 1923 the British Red Cross Society were carrying out the Appeal for funds on behalf of the British Empire Cancer Campaign. Since then the Campaign has developed in a way far beyond the original expectations of its founders, and it has now become an Empire-wide Organisation with Branches in the British Dominions.

The very definite advances which have been made in research into the causes and cure of cancer will be seen from the enclosed Precis of Proceedings at the Annual General Meeting of the Campaign held in July last. At this Meeting our President, H.R.H. The Duke of York, made a suggestion that on Empire Day, May 24th, 1934, an Appeal be launched throughout the Empire for the funds of the British Empire Cancer Campaign.

The Executive Committee of the Campaign have decided that the suggestion of His Royal Highness shall be carried out, and further, I have been instructed to communicate with all British Communities Overseas to invite the British Residents to participate in this great appeal, and so associate themselves with their compatriots in this attack on cancer.

It is, of course, quite impossible for us to suggest a suitable form of Appeal to meet the situation in Hong Kong, but we shall be most grateful to you if you could call a Meeting to discuss ways and means. Perhaps the question of a social event could be considered, the proceeds of which could be devoted to the funds of the Campaign, and any sums received from now onwards would be credited to the Duke of York's List for Empire Day Appeal.

We do most sincerely trust that it will be possible for the British Community in Hong Kong to co-operate with this Campaign, and as H.R.H. The Duke of York so truly says in his letter attached:—

"The securing of adequate funds to enable the great and unrelenting fight against the cancer scourge to be continued until a triumphant success is assured."

We shall be most grateful to you for any help you can give us.

Yours faithfully,

(Ed.) E. J. C. CHAPMAN,

General Secretary to the British Empire Cancer Campaign.

London, November 29, 1933.

DUKE OF YORK'S APPEAL

The following is a copy of the letter sent to Lord Reading by H. R. H. the Duke of York:—

Dear Lord Reading,

It is with great satisfaction that I have learned that the scheme suggested by me at the Annual General Meeting of the British Empire Cancer Campaign at the House of Lords in July is about to be carried into practical operation on Empire Day, May 24.

To all those who have the responsibility of presiding over Municipal and Administrative Authorities I wish to commend the view that every assistance should be afforded to the efforts that are being made by the British Empire Cancer Campaign to organise a financial Appeal on Empire Day for the purpose of securing adequate funds to enable the great and unrelenting fight against the cancer scourge to be continued until a triumphant success is assured.

Insull's "Escort"



Burton Y. Berry

On the shoulders of Burton Y. Berry, young American Vice Consul at Istanbul, Turkey, rested the responsibility of escorting Samuel Insull back to the United States to face charges in connection with the collapse of his utilities empire.

treatment by surgery or radium might result in a cure, but in those apparently hopeless cases where neither surgery nor radium seems to offer any hope, and only when the patients themselves consented to undergo the treatment.

"The results at present are too few to afford any real grounds for assuming that this antiserum will prove to be a substitute for the present methods of treating cancer, or that it will really be effective."

"All that can be said is that the results so far have been encouraging and that at all events a temporary benefit has resulted in several of the cases treated."

"A great deal more work has still to be done before the treatment can be in any sense standardised or made available for general use. Much patient research into the best method of preparing the antiserum is still necessary, and the best method of administering it has still to be discovered."

CONCERT FOR FUNDS

In connection with the British Empire Cancer Campaign the St. John Ambulance Brigade is organising a Grand Subscription Concert to be held at King's College Saturday May 26 at 9 p.m., under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E. Knight of Grace Venerable Order of St. John, and Lady Peel, Officer Venerable Order of St. John.

Many of the Colony's noted artists have promised their services: there will be a few items in Chinese also.

No charge will be made for admission, but invitation tickets will be issued and a collection made in aid of H.R.H. the Duke of York's Cancer Research Fund.

Applications for Tickets should be made to the Corps Secretary King's College.

Recipients of invitations who are unable to attend are urgently asked to return the tickets promptly.

Seating accommodation is strictly limited.

EARL JELICOE'S MESSAGE

The following is the Empire Day message from the Admiral of the Fleet Earl Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., President of the Empire Day Movement.

"It is my privilege, as President of the Empire Day Movement, once again to send a message of warmest greeting to all parts of His Majesty's Dominions. In doing so this year, it is with very real pleasure that I note the change that has taken place during the last twelve months in the economic situation—a change which has resulted in a steady improvement in trade and a gradual but sure diminution in the figures of unemployment, the problem which has been the cause of such anxiety during the last few years, and which has given rise to so much distress."

"The road to our old prosperity may still be lengthy, but the spirit which has enabled our people throughout the Empire to overcome the formidable difficulties, which confronted us two years ago, will unquestionably remain to enable us to meet any troubles yet before us. Unity, comradeship and sympathy between the people who compose our great Empire are, and ever will be, essential to its strength and

LOCAL NEWS BRIEVITIES

His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., will perform the opening ceremony of the Tung Wah Hospital New Building at Po Yan Street next Friday at 11 a.m.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, paid an informal visit to Victoria Gaol yesterday, with a view to investigating certain proposals for improvement. H.E. was accompanied by Captain R. F. Walter, A.D.C., and was conducted round the gaol by Mr. J. W. Franks, Superintendent of Prisons.

Two cases of meningitis were reported in the Colony during the 24 hours ending May 15.

There will be a Dinner Dance at the Repulse Bay Hotel on Saturday, and a Tea Dance on Sunday at 4.30 p.m.

The rainfall in the Colony during the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. today was 0.01 inch, making the total 9.37 inches since January 1, as against an average of 16.15 inches.

Malek Khan was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday, suffering from minor injuries sustained following an alleged assault by some Chinese at No. 5 Wharf.

A would-be suicide, Koo Tack-fai, who had drunk an opium solution, at his home at 32 Li Tung St., was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday in a comatose condition.

Leung Kwai was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday, suffering from head injuries sustained when he jumped off a moving tram car at Shaokwan.

The remains of an unknown Chinese woman were sent to the Public Mortuary yesterday. The woman was found by the Police in the shrubs in Victoria Road. It is suspected that she committed suicide.

The remains of a Chinese, named Cheung Hung, were sent to the Public Mortuary yesterday. The man hung himself on the first floor of No. 144 Connaught Road Central.

Sentence of six months' hard labour was imposed on Chan Pak-wan, unemployed, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning, for stealing a gold and jade hair ornament, the property of Mrs. Nobuko Take-moto, of 21 Luard Road yesterday.

A public lecture will be given this evening at 6 o'clock in the Lodge Room of the Manuk Lodge of the Theosophical Society, 17 Queen's Road, Central. The speaker will be Mr. M. P. Talati, and his subject "Righteousness, the Noblest Attribute of Mankind."

ALLEGED THEFT OF TITLE DEEDS.

Other Charges Likely.

Tong Yiu-cheong, alias Tong Wing-sheung, aged 46, a property dealer, was charged before Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning, with the larceny of the title deeds of house No. 150 Applin Street.

On the application of Mr. H. Lo, appearing for the complainant, Ng Foon-lung, the case was adjourned for seven days.

Mr. Lo said that certain mortgages on the house had been put through by the defendant, and that further charges may be laid against him.

EMPIRE INFLUENCE

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"May this Empire Day be celebrated with one thought in each mind; that our Empire, with God's blessing, shall grow stronger and stronger, in the cause of World Peace and Prosperity."

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CHOPPER ATTACK ON MRS. POLSON

Assailant Sentenced To 7 Years.

"A DASTARDLY CRIME"

His Honour the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice A. D. A. MacGregor, at the Supreme Court yesterday, passed a sentence of 7 years' hard labour on Ho Man-fai, a compradore's coolie, who was found guilty of wounding Mrs. Sarah Polson, at Stanley Terrace, Quarry Bay, on the night of August 2.

The Chief Justice characterised the jury's verdict as a just one, and the assault as a dastardly crime.

Accused attacked Mrs. Polson so savagely with a chopper that she was in hospital for weeks in a critical condition. After assaulting Mrs. Polson, her assailant turned his attention to her small fox terrier, which was injured so badly that it subsequently had to be destroyed.

The incidents arose from the dogs barking at Ho Man-fai, and according to his story, he received a bite from one of them.

Mrs. Polson is the wife of Mr. J. C. Polson, of the Talkoo Docks. In view of the fact that Mr. and Mrs. Polson are going home on leave on Saturday the case was the first on calendar and was taken by the Chief Justice.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Attorney General, was for the Crown.

Prisoner pleaded not guilty to both counts of wounding with intent, and wounding. The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. G. B. Smith-Thompson (foreman); J. L. Adam, Kam Cheong, D. J. MacAdam, J. T. Cotton, jr., H. S. Komor, and C. Lauritsen.

The last-named replaced Mr. D. McColligan, whose names was called for jury service but was withdrawn at the suggestion of Mr. Fraser on account of his connection with the Talkoo Dock Company.

The Chief Justice expressed agreement with this course.

MOTOR-CYCLE FATALITY.

Verdict Of Misadventure Returned By Jury.

MRS. HANNAH SCOTT'S DEATH

A verdict of death by misadventure was returned by the jury at the Coroner's inquest held at Central Magistracy yesterday into the death of Mrs. Hannah Scott, a young American woman, who was killed in a motor-cycle accident in Wanchai on the night of April 5.

The Jury exonerated the driver of the motor cycle combination, Mr. Eric Mitford, from all blame, and found that the accident was caused by a puncture of the tyre, coupled with a peculiar effect in the cycle combination.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton acted as Coroner and the jury comprised Messrs. L. J. Stevenson (foreman), F. Orlepp and A. M. d'Eca.

Watching briefs were held by Mr. H. C. Lee, on behalf of the deceased lady's relatives, and by Mr. J. M. D'Almada Ramadon, on behalf of Mr. Mitford.

The Coroner concurred with the verdict, and associated himself with the remarks of sympathy.

BABE LONDON IN HONG KONG.

"Little Club" Star Singer.

HUSBAND WRITES SONGS

Miss Babe London, famous stage and screen star, with her husband, Mr. Patrick H. Burnette, Junior, the popular song writer, are now in Hong Kong. Miss London has just terminated her contract at "The Little Club," Shanghai.

Miss London has enjoyed a very successful tour in the Orient, especially in Shanghai. Most of her songs were written for her by her husband. Some of these songs are "I'm Notorious," "Wouldn't That Make You Sick," "That's Why I Married," "Look Me Over," "I Know Everything," and "Nobody Ever Looks At Me."



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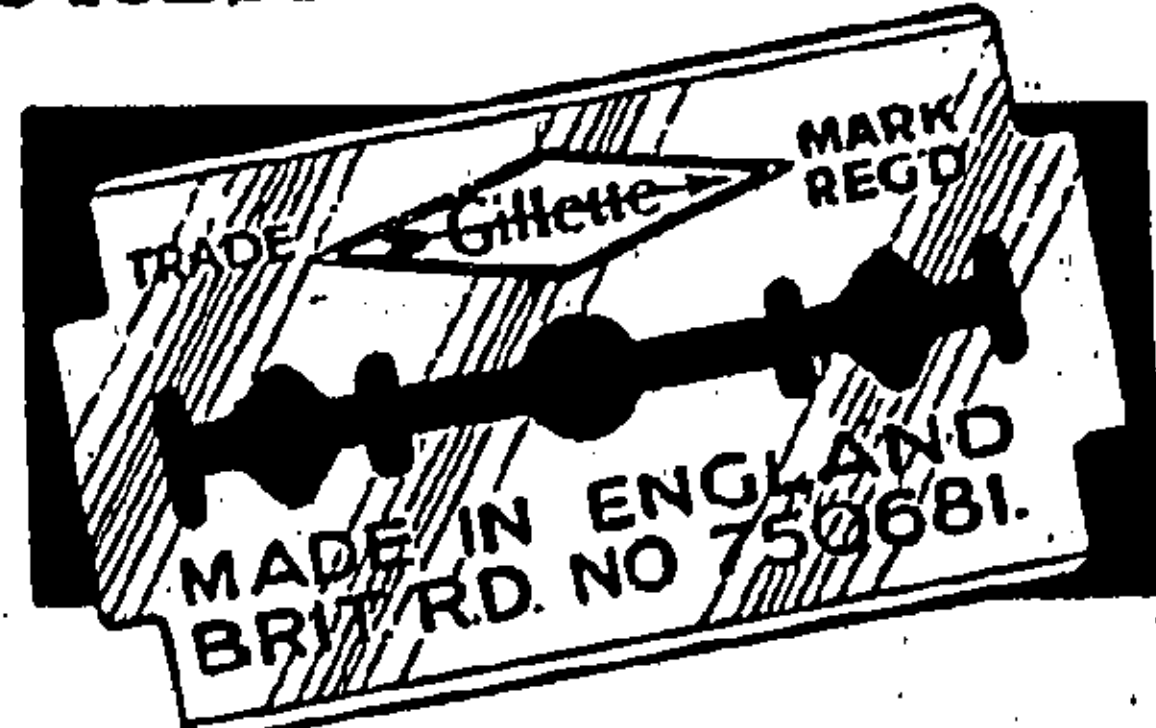
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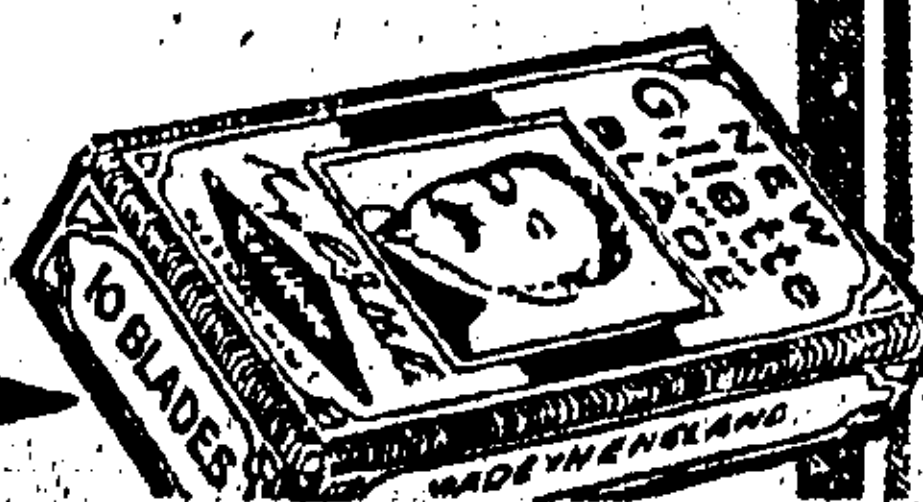
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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Thursday, May 17, 1934.

Catastrophes.

It is really very difficult to think of anything else in Hong Kong to-day in face of the havoc of the gas explosion, and yet how true are all the reflections that can be made on any such catastrophe. We do not know the cause; and even when the Enquiry is finished, and if the cause should be discovered, it will at most be possible to do something to prevent similar happenings in the future. The sudden death of a well-known man like Mr. Lam Tung makes a noticeable gap, and brings home to all those who knew him the sense of personal loss; but only a lack of imagination prevents us from recognising with equal particularity in how many cases the unknown dead may have been in the life of their humble family or some other social circle the centre round which everything in the daily struggle revolved. And how inadequate is any relief or compensation or consolation!

It is not as though we could be content to mutter "Kismet" and resume our ordinary routine. We have learned how to harness many of the forces of Nature that must have appeared to primitive men merely hostile. They are good servants as long as we use them with constant vigilance and precaution; but they are always on the watch to turn and rend us if we give them the smallest opportunity. There was a time when men used to sacrifice to the Winds, — Boreas, and Auster, and the rest, — and a big step forward was taken when they found that sails would make the winds do the work of slave rowers, and do it better. But we still are vulnerable when the winds conspire to send a typhoon if there is no shelter handy. Electricity was for ages known merely as the thunderbolt of an angry Jove until it was tamed to light our drawing-rooms and carry our messages; but it is still possible for a careless switchman to turn a wrong switch and flash death along the wires. Nobody has yet found a use for the Earthquake, which in a couple of minutes can lay a great city like Messina or Tokyo in ruins; but in volcanic regions boreholes are sunk for oil to drive our cars, and in Iceland they tap hot water for use in the laundry and the kitchen.

In all these cases mankind has been engaged in his saecular

struggle with Nature, and the helplessness of the individual has had in it that touch of nature that makes the whole world kin. Only in the Twentieth Century have we realised that even more disastrous calamities lie latent in the works of man's own hands. The chemical Laboratory has invented formulae by which the harmless contents of bottles standing on a shelf can be so combined that with a slight concussion they will make an artificial Earthquake, or a conflagration as sudden and disastrous as the flash at West Point. And in the face of such man-made disasters, knowing well that the cause can only have been compounded for that purpose and used of malice prepense, there is nothing to make the whole world kin; there is everything to leave a just for vengeance which makes talk of kinship sound like a hollow mockery.

The weapons of the chemical Laboratory are not even the worst of the perversions of science. We have endowed Laboratories for Biological Research to enable us to conquer the germs that are less spectacular enemies than the convulsions of Nature, but more insidious and more widely fatal; and the devilish thought occurs "why only use these cultures as preventives of death, why not use the germs themselves to remove our enemies?" In a small way the happy thought has already been acted upon; it is merely playing with the greatest problem of our day to ignore the prospect that it may be some day used on a wholesale scale. Desperate men are apt to be desperately logical.

In recent cables we are told that Paraguay and Bolivia, after killing each other for over two years without any definite settlement of the disputed ownership of the Gran Chaco, — an almost waterless tract of country that might well be divided by any judicious arbitrator, — have failed to agree about the proper food ration to be allowed to prisoners of war. As a mere incidental argument one of the parties threatens to bomb the ancient and populous city of Asuncion, and the other party naturally threatens to retaliate. These are no empty threats. Seventy years ago Paraguay sought her neighbour on the other side in a war at the end of which the proportion of sexes was one male to seventeen women. That was in the age of the old weapons. Modern improvements would kill off the sexes in equal ratio.

HERE, THERE
—
EVERYWHERE

Hitler And The Catholics

There is a certain parallel between the present conflict between the Catholic and the Nazi Youth organisations in Germany and the long struggle between the Fascist Balilla and the Catholic Youth in Italy, which ended only in 1931.

In itself the Hitler Youth organisation is an imitation of the Fascist Balilla. But here the parallel ends.

Signor Mussolini has made his peace with the Vatican. He has furnished satisfactory guarantees for the Catholic instruction of Italian youth. Moreover, the population of Italy is overwhelmingly Catholic, and there is, therefore, little clash between the ideals of Church and State.

In Germany the Catholics are in a minority. The spiritual tendencies of the Hitler Youth members are in absolute contradiction with the fundamental principles of the Catholic religion.

Herr Hitler's difficulties are therefore infinitely greater.

Active And Passive

A Catholic in Germany gives an account of the technique of Catholic Youth persecution in that country.

There is a Nazi order against physical interference with the Catholic Youth. The Germans, being a law-abiding people, carry out the letter of the order. This is how it is done. When a Catholic Youth organisation arranges an outing the Hitler Youth form up in a wide formation across the road along which the Catholics have planned to march.

When they arrive they are met with jeers and waving of flags. Being ordered to avoid any conflict with the Nazis, they have to return home.

"Red Admiral"

The Soviet Government have appointed their youngest admiral as Naval Attache to Washington. This is Red-haired Rear-Admiral Pavel Oras, as stockily built young man of 37. He speaks seven languages and handles English much more fluently than his Ambassador.

In Russia Oras is not called Admiral. The senior naval officers have no naval titles, but are ranked from Nos. 1 to 13. His ranking, No. 11, corresponds with Rear-Admiral. His uses this title for convenience when abroad. In the Russian navy he is addressed as "Comrade Chief."

The appointment of Admiral Oras is an earnest of Soviet desire to win the good will of the United States.

The new American Export and Import Bank for Russian credits declared that no credits would be forthcoming until Russia made some settlement of her American debts.

Ambassador Bullitt has already come to a tentative agreement with the Russians. A debt-liquidation proposal now awaits Stalin's approval, which may or may not be forthcoming.

Your Daily Smile!

Daring.

Dare to do right, dare to be true; dare to do others or they'll do you.

Radiator.

The first thing which strikes the pedestrian about the modern car.

Instinct.

What tells a woman she is right whether she is or not.

Kindly Old Lady: "My poor man, was there no one to stretch out a hand to you?" Ex-convict: "Yes, mum, that's how they got me."

Ever Noticed?

Some girls prefer boneless fish?

Mrs. Montmorency: "I thought you loved your pet dog so much?" Mrs. Poulton: "So I do, dear; but my husband is, doing so well in business now that we can afford one with a better pedigree!"

Lady motorist (who has swerved into cyclist): "I'm awfully sorry, but it really wasn't my fault. I put out my hand." Gallant Irishman: "Sure, me darlin', 'tis your hand that's so small I didn't see it at all!"

ROMANCE OF BRITISH PARLIAMENT

RECALLING ITS PLACE IN HISTORY

LONDON PAGEANT IN JUNE

(By John Buchan, M.P.)

A Pageant of Parliament is resolute to change when it is convinced of the necessity. The Civil War brought out the full implications of what was meant by English-in-Council.

The Stuart Kings fell heir to a new England, which at first did not quite understand itself. The King had hitherto paid for the expenses of government out of his Royal estate, and only asked Parliament for funds in special emergencies. Now the increased cost of government compelled him to ask for more, and to ask for it frequently, and Parliament, conscious of the new age, would only grant funds on terms.

The English Temper Parliament was the true revolutionary in the matter, for the English people can always break completely from precedent if the need is proved. The Long Parliament in its early days was fully representative of the new England. Long before it perished it had ceased to be representative, and, therefore, Cromwell could destroy it with little murmuring.

Not much colour or romance is found by the casual visitor who listens in the Commons to a languid discussion on some minor estimates, or to the half-audible voices from the scarlet benches of the Lords. Some imagination is needed to realise the poetry beneath the prose, and the vivid history behind the drab modern actuality.

Noisy Critics There is no drearier subject to most people than constitutional history. Stubbs's "Charters" have for many a young man not opened the door of the past, but made him hurry to bang and bolt it out of sheer boredom. The thing is dull to most people because it is a chronicle of abstractions, a sort of "formal logic" of history. Under such conditions the most human topic would become desiccated and inhuman.

The voyages of the Elizabethan sailors would be a dreary business if we had only a summary of their log-books. Yet the story of the Constitution can be in the highest degree romantic if we once realise the brilliant, many-coloured life out of which it grew, for then abstractions take on flesh and blood. We see it not only as a logical process, but as a pageant.

That is one thing which we hope to do in the Albert Hall in June—to show how human a business our Government has always been. There is another purpose of some public importance. Criticism of parliamentary methods is loud in the world to-day, and the British Parliament, the original inventor, has not escaped.

Wholesome Respect It is true that legislators have not yet fallen into so dire a contempt with us as elsewhere, though Mr. Chesterton has written:

"The men who rule in England in stately conclave met; Alas! alas! for England, They have no graves—as yet."

At the worst we are inclined to be a little ribald about them individually, but for Parliament as an institution we have still a wholesome respect. That is as it should be. In countries where Parliamentary institutions are new and not organically knit with the life of the people there is some reason for their going out of fashion. But that is not so with our British system.

For our people to despise their Parliament would be to despise themselves. Parliament has always been in the fullest sense representative of them. In each age they have had the Parliament they deserved.

I use the word "representative" in Burke's sense. I do not mean that our Parliament was always popularly elected; but I mean that its members always represented the temperament and creed of the average Englishman of the day. For a man to be a good representative there is no need that many should vote for him. A member elected by half a dozen elderly gentlemen over a bowl of punch may be a very good representative.

The one thing required in a member is the representative character; whether everybody has a chance of voting for him is altogether beside the point. If he has not the right character, adult suffrage will not make him more representative. In this sense every Parliament of Edward I. has been a more or less faithful mirror of the idiosyncrasies of the British people.

So, in reading Parliamentary history, we read the history of the soul of Britain—slow to change, but most

INSTITUTE OF COMMERCE

Results Of Local Exams Received From Home.

22 STUDENTS SUCCESSFUL

The results of the Institute of Commerce examinations, held on March 18 last, under the supervision of Messrs. E. Hawkins and K. M. Au, have been received from England by the local representative of the Institution, Mr. H. K. Yew, F.C.I.

The results are as follows:

Accountancy—Leong Kam Chee and Chu Kar Chun.

Handwriting—Loh Tsong Wah and Chu Kar Chun.

Commercial Correspondence—Chu Kar Chun.

Business Training—Chu Kar Chun.

Commercial Arithmetic—Leong Kam Chee.

Typewriting—Leong Kam Chee.

Commercial Arithmetic (Elementary)—Chu Kar Chun.

Book Keeping (Elementary)—Chik Yin Kai, Liu In Cheung, Wong Shau Cheun, Liu Tung Hin, Chan Kwan Chek, Lim Wen Tsou, Yuong Kim, Khoo Moh Sang, Chan Kim Fook, Un Ki Shu and Lui Shek Yan.

Second class—Chan Si Hong and Chan Kwok Cheung.

CASTLE PEAK MURDER

Victim Slashed On Hillside.

TWO-YEAR-OLD CRIME AT SESSIONS

The murder of Li Mau Sun, on a hillside at Castle Peak on October 18, 1932, had its sequel at the Supreme Court this morning when Li Sun pleaded not guilty to the charge before His Honour, the Chief Justice, Mr. A. D. A. McGregor.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Attorney-General, appeared for the Crown, and Mr. Tycho Wing, instructed by Mr. C. Y. Kwan, was assigned to appear for the prisoner.

The jury empanelled was, Mr. B. Carbone, foreman, Messrs. A. Grossart, E. M. R. Castro, A. C. da Silva, J. Revis, J. G. C. Somner and Young Fook-ping.

14-Year-Old Boy.

Mr. Fraser, opening his case, stated that deceased was aged 14, and a cowherd, employed by the caretaker of some marshes at Castle Peak. Accused was a matched coolie, employed by the same man. Accused and deceased were apparently on good terms, and had shared a marsh for some months.

At 3 p.m., as was his daily custom, on October 18, 1932, deceased went up the hill to bring in the cows. He returned at 5 p.m., bleeding and badly injured. Following something said by deceased a search was made for accused who could not be found. Deceased died in the Kowloon Hospital at 10 o'clock the same evening.

Later it was learned that accused had fled to Lam Tau on a trading junk. He was discovered this year working in Canton, and was brought to Hong Kong on March 6, and arrested.

Woman Involved.

When charged he made a statement saying, "I assaulted him because of a certain woman's affairs. I and a girl were on the hillside, Li Mau-sun saw this, and told it to the girl's father. Afterwards I went down the hill to get a knife to cut a stick, and when I came up the deceased scolded me and I then cut him."

Dr. J. T. Smalley, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., stated that deceased was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital at 8.15 p.m. on the night of the attack suffering from multiple wounds and in a very bad condition. He died the same night at 10 p.m.

Questioned by His Lordship, Dr. Smalley stated that the savage attack made on deceased could have been done by a man who did not know what he was doing at the moment, and that this type of attack could have been done while the assailant was in an epileptic fit. Defendant, however, had not the appearance of an epileptic, said Dr. Smalley.

Inspector A. J. W. Doran stated that he was present at the post mortem, when the body was identified by Li Wai-sung, deceased's father.

Father's Testimony.

Li Wai-sung stated that on the morning of the assault he had seen accused and his son eating fruit in an apparently friendly manner.

He went home, and later was called to go again to castle Peak, where he saw his son covered with blood any dying. The boy said something to him, in consequence of which he commenced a search for accused.

Chan Kam-sang, matched caretaker, said that he was the employer of the accused and deceased. He also testified to the friendliness of the lads, and to the events which led up to the death of Li Mau-sun.

Chan Kiu, junk master, stated that on October 20, 1932, accused was brought to him at Sha Tong, and was conveyed by him to Lam Tau, on his trading junk.

Accused's Evidence.

Mr. Tycho Wing called accused as his first witness. The prisoner stated that he had been on friendly terms with the deceased.

Indian during a quarrel. When the police saw the accused in hospital he was found to be suffering from a fractured heel-bone, and when formally charged, on leaving the hospital he said "I did not strike him, neither did I rob him of any money."

The case is proceeding.

Insull's Last Stand in Turkey



After making his final plea against extradition to the United States, Samuel Insull (arrow) is shown leaving court in Istanbul, Turkey. The aged ex-king of the Insull utilities empire has now arrived in Chicago to stand trial for embezzlement.

INDIAN ROBBED OF \$2,200

Unable To Identify Assailant.

ONE OF THREE CHINESE STANDS TRIAL

Committed for trial on April 25, on a charge of robbery by two or more, on February 13, Tan Ngau-tsai, an odd-job coolie, pleaded not guilty before Mr. Justice P. Jacks, at the Supreme Court this morning.

Mr. W. F. Lockhart Smith is conducting the case for the Crown, and defendant is unrepresented.

The jury empanelled was Messrs. G. F. Walker (foreman), Messrs. D. G. Wilson, D. H. McColegan, Tsoi Kau-ling, Wong Yui-sung, Chan King-chee and Chung Wa-he.

Opening his case Mr. Lockhart Smith said that accused is charged with, in the company of others, having robbed Sher Mohammed, a policeman at the Royal Naval Dockyard, of \$2,200 in cash.

On February 13, the Indian policeman was returning to duty at the Dockyard Gate, from his quarters. He was on duty from 6 a.m. to 12 noon, and the man doing this duty is allowed half-an-hour break at 8 a.m.

Counting His Money.

When at his quarters at 8 a.m. he took \$2,200 in Hong Kong and Shanghai \$100 Banknotes, the reason being that he was about to go on leave, and had arranged to change the money into rupees. The appointment was made for the Dockyard Gate. When on his way from the quarters to the gate, at about the level of the Surgery, he took out the money to count it, and while doing so he was in sight of a Chinese not in custody, who was standing in the doorway of No. 13 Store.

There was an arrangement whereby the Chinese had promised to let the Indian have some brown paper, and as Sher Mohammed passed the Store, this man, Man Kau, asked him in. The light was bad, and as he entered, the Indian heard Man Kau shout "Strike,"

and two men, one of whom is alleged to be the accused and another named Lam Kau, also not in custody, came in and set upon him.

Loses Consciousness.

The Indian was unable to see which man struck him with a hammer as he was rendered unconscious. When he regained consciousness he found that he had been robbed, and some 500 Rupee notes were scattered on the floor.

Another Indian Dockyard policeman saw three men running away, one of whom wore a bloodstained jacket, which he took off and threw down. The three men escaped by jumping over the wall at east side of the Yard.

The accused fled to No. 40 Yee Wo Street, where he told a clansman that he had sustained an injury at the dockyard, but he has been unable to produce evidence to establish this.

Injured By An Indian.

On information the police went to this address, and accused told them he was injured by an Indian.

GRAN CHACO WARFARE

Embargo Still Found Impracticable.

BRITAIN IS WILLING

London, To-day.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, on behalf of the Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, yesterday replied to a Parliamentary question calling attention to the statement, in respect of the League Commission which had been investigating the Bolivia-Paraguay dispute, that arms were imported into those countries from America and Europe.

As regards the questioner's suggestion that, irrespective of action of foreign armament factories, licences should be withheld for such exports from Britain, Mr. Baldwin said that he feared no useful purpose would be served by such a course, since the embargo, to be effective, must be enforced at least by the principal arms manufacturing countries, several of which had not yet expressed their readiness to co-operate.

BRITISH INITIATIVE

Recapitulating the history of this particular proposal for an arms embargo, Mr. Baldwin said it was on the initiative of the British Government that the exchange of views originally took place more than a year ago between the Governments of the United Kingdom, the United States, France and Italy, with a view to an agreement between them to prohibit the export of arms to Bolivia and Paraguay.

Subsequently, the British Government, with the co-operation of the French Government, submitted a memorandum to the League Council on February 25, 1933, suggesting that steps be taken under Article 11 of the Covenant to recommend the Governments to impose this embargo.

A draft declaration, to be signed by the Governments in favour of this step, was considered by the Council, and was accepted by all the States who were members of the Council, including the United Kingdom.

AMERICA'S POSITION

A number of the States made their acceptance subject to the acceptance of the declaration by a specified number of other States, including the United States.

The Government of the latter country, however, stated that they were unable to impose an embargo until the necessary legislation has been passed by Congress, and no such legislation has been passed.—British Wireless Service.

SON RESCUES HIS MOTHER'S BAG.

Connaught Road Chase.

Le Tak, unemployed, was brought before Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning, and charged with the stealing of a handbag from Mrs. Gonzalez in Connaught Road Central, near the Star Ferry, yesterday.

It was stated that Mrs. Gonzalez's son saw the theft and caught the accused after a chase. Accused was remanded for 24 hours.

To-day's Short Story.

PRIMULA:

By Geoffrey Moss

"THIS plant is the gem of my collection," *Primula Caspiensis* David. I discovered it through a chance meeting with a Russian, a botanist who, having fled from Bolshevism, was earning his living as best he could in Jugoslavia. Here is the story:

"I thought over what he had told me and decided to approach the Soviet Government for permission to undertake the expedition I had in mind. But before leaving London I found out all I could about the country he had described. The latest information about the district, I learned, had come from members of a British Military Mission which had been there just after the war. The general in charge had lost his life at the hands of the Bolshevik irregular forces, but one of his officers advised me to visit his widow, so I went.

"Her flat was out of the lower end of Sloane-street. The drawing-room, despite a big bow window, contrived to be dark. Along the window seat were Japanese dwarf trees—abominable which annoy me. She was a tall, hard, rather graceful woman, nearing fifty.

"I wanted to know about the country where her husband had lost his life. She would tell me all she knew. He had written home most enthusiastically about it for he had been an ardent fisherman.

"She showed me his portrait, the usual middle-aged soldier. The eyes were all I remember, strangely humorous.

"There were, too, some clever sepia drawings of calm water, a stretch of low shore, and some rough huts. Her husband had done them. Did I see that cape? It had been on the other side of it that he had been lost, when out fishing.

"Curious," she said. "I always had a presentiment against his fishing."

MR. HO CHOU-KING DUE HERE.

Movements Of Chinese Political Leaders.

Mr. Ho Chou-king, of the Ministry of Finance, Canton, is expected to arrive here to-day, prior to his departure for Nanking to attend a financial conference.

General Yang Chieh, head of the Chinese Military Mission in Europe, has arrived at Toulon from Paris. They are due in London on May 22. Mr. T. V. Soong, former Minister of Finance in the Nanking Government, flew to Ningsha-fu from Lanchow on Tuesday.

General Feng Yu-hsiang, the former "Christian General," has arrived in Tsinan from his retirement in Taishan. He was met by General Han Fu-chu, Chairman of the Shantung Provincial Government, and other military leaders.

General Sung Cheh-yuan, Chairman of the Chahar Provincial Government, is now in Peking attending a military conference.

Mr. Chu Chia-hua, Kuomintang Central Executive Committee member, left by air for Nanchang, where he is making a visit to General Chiang Kai-shek.

Messrs. Sun Fo, Ma Chiu-tsun, and Chang Wai-chang left Shanghai for Nanking yesterday.

BLACKSMITH ROBS UNCLE.

"BORROWED" DRILLING-MACHINE

For the theft of a drilling machine from No. 925 Reclamation Street, the property of his uncle, Mok Siu, a blacksmith, Mok Wai-sun, was bound over by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning, in a sum of \$50 to be of good behaviour for the next six months.

Defendant denied the charge, saying that he took it home for use.

Mr. MacFadyen: "Had you any intention of returning it?"

Accused: "Yes, of course."

Inspector James: "The defendant was arrested yesterday in Lower Macao Row. Your Worship, and he was attempting to sell it."

"Surreptitiously I turned over the pages of the sketch book. Meanwhile my hostess talked on, very pleasantly, in a voice pitched just a little too high.

"Yes, he had wanted to spend their honeymoon on some stream in Bohemia, while she had wanted to take him to 'beloved' Florence. The watercolours on the walls were 'mementoes' of happy days. She was no doubt a pleasant enough woman, but those Siamese cats wandered about and made that disgusting noise of their species—but I don't like cats.

"The general had been a good Russian scholar, and on that account had been given charge of that military mission, thrust out into the wilds of Central Asia.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "Felipe," by Peter Fleming.

"For months nothing happened. The mission employed agents to supply information as to what was happening still further in the heart of the Continent. Meanwhile the members of it shot, fished and amused themselves as best they could. For the general the place must have been a paradise.

"Fishing! Naturally, she had never actually tried to stop it, but when it had clashed with some social event, she had done her best to persuade him which to choose. In soldiering the social side was so important—especially in India!

"Well, after some months things began to take an unpleasant turn. Disquieting rumours came from the North. Food supplies became scarcer. Once or twice the Mission's sketchy communications with its base were interrupted. Once an officer out duck-shooting heard a bullet whistle past him. For a week or so all was quiet, then a boat belonging to the Mission was burnt one night, and one morning a sentry was found dead with a knife between his shoulders.

"The officers began to grow uncomfortable. They were there to observe: they had no earthly chance of putting up a fight, and the country, which had welcomed their arrival, was obviously turning against them.

"Sometimes at night they would be conscious of people prowling around their camp. Then for days the silence of those wild lands would descend about them.

"Then one evening at dusk they saw a fire somewhere northwards along the coast. The general called a conference. His instructions had been beautifully vague, freeing the higher authority from responsibility—to observe and report upon enemy activity, political or military, in or about, etc., etc.; to remain, etc., etc., but not to endanger unduly the safety of the Mission. After a long discussion it was arranged that all should be kept in readiness for departure at an hour's notice; but that, as food was so scarce, fishing and shooting should be continued by officers—to their general relief, no doubt!

"Then one day, when the general had gone up the coast, an agent from whom nothing had been heard for weeks dashed into the camp with the news that large Bolshevik forces were approaching. Preparations for retreat were made and the recall signal was given. But there was no sign of the head of the Mission. The afternoon wore on. It was time to go. They dare not risk being attacked at night. One officer undertook to stay behind till dusk, and the forlorn little band marched away.

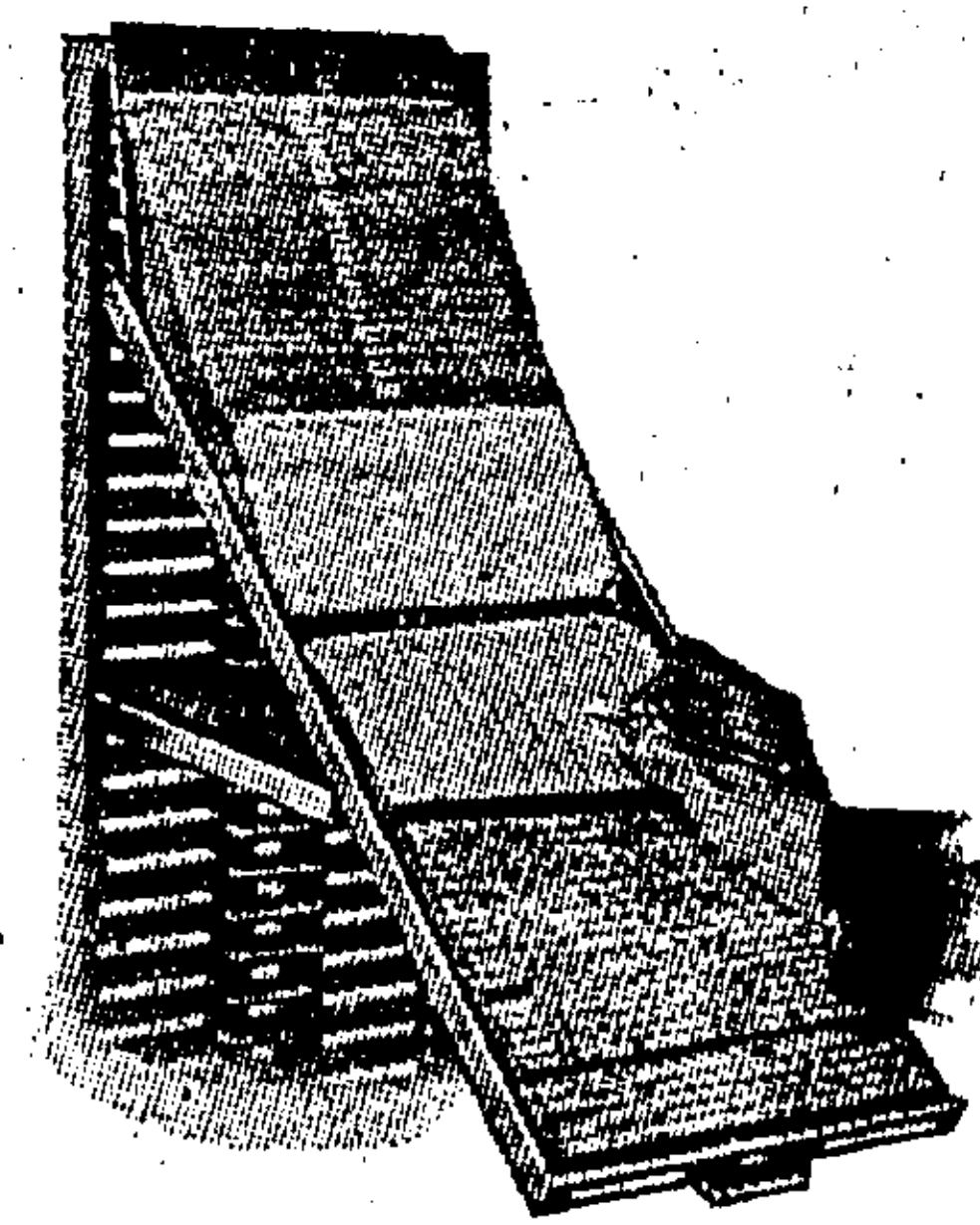
"Next morning the young fellow rejoined. He had waited till after dark had sent up rockets, but had seen no answering ones from the general. Eventually the party reached its base. Of course, they heard rumours of how the general had come by his end, yet nothing certain was ever discovered.

"Well, I took a last look at the watercolours and those cats, and I departed. And I sent flowers—from a florist; ghawny stuff, of no conceivable interest.

"Getting to the Caspian was no joke. Difficulties of every sort—dirt, delay, vile food. At length I arrived. I found a boat and a boatman. We started off.

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THE DISEASE OF FEAR

(Continued from page 1.)

Remarking that he hoped soon to attend the next meeting of the Conference, Sir John Simon said:

"Speaking on behalf of the British Government I say that we shall do the very best that can be done to bring an agreement out of the tangled and complicated situation.

"I shall go to Geneva full of confidence because I am profoundly convinced that the hearts and hopes of the British people are most deeply pledged on this issue.

"There is no effort too great, or persuasion that could be superfluous, for the purpose of bringing about an agreement. If an agreement is not reached, the League of Nations is going to suffer a sharp blow.

THE BRITISH POLICY

"The British policy stands for the support and maintenance of the League of Nations. To substitute for this new world a method of international co-operation, the old world method of one country arming itself against another, will not do."

While he believed that valuable results would follow if the general level of armaments were reduced, Sir John Simon said that the real difficulty which faced the Conference was not a technical question as to how many arms of a particular kind a particular nation should have.

Armaments were only an indication of the disease of fear, and not

ALLEGED THEFT AT GAS EXPLOSION.

Fireman Who Picked Up \$459 Worth Of Jewellery

"IF HE HAD NOT SOMEONE ELSE WOULD HAVE"

Facing the charge of a jewel theft to the total value of \$459, at No. 8 Clarence Terrace, the scene of the Hong Kong and China Gas Company explosion, Cheung Kit, fireman No. 80, was brought before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

At the time of the arrest, at 7 a.m. Tuesday, accused was in possession of a gold bangle, 11 earrings, a gold chain and pendants, four hair ornaments, three gold rings, a brooch, three rings, three pieces of jade and three purses, to the total value of \$459, belonging to the occupant of No. 8 Clarence Terrace.

Accused denied the theft, and said that he put them in his pocket because if he did not, they might have been taken by someone else.

On the application of Inspector M. H. Hourigan, a three days' remand was granted.

less something could be done to strike at the roots of this terrible disease, the best technical experts in the world would not be able to produce an agreement for international disarmament.—British Wireless Service.

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*WANTUA	11,000	2nd June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*ALIPORE	5,000	12th June	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
*RAWALPINDI	17,000	16th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BHUTAN	6,000	23rd June	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
*KAISAR-I-HIND	12,000	30th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BEHAR	6,100	7th July	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	14th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*SOUDAN	6,700	21st July	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RANCHI	17,000	28th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
CARTHAGE	15,000	11th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BURDWAN	6,000	18th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RANPURA	17,000	25th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
CORFU	15,000	8th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*SOMALI	7,000	15th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
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S.S.	Tons	From Hong Kong About	Destination.
1934.			
RAWALPINDI	17,000	17th May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	8,000	17th May	Amoy, Shai Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*BEHAR	6,100	3 p.m.	
KAISAR-I-HIND	12,000	30th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
SHIRALA	8,000	31st May	Amoy, Shai Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NANKIN	7,000	1st June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*SOUDAN	6,700	8th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	12th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
SIRPRANA	8,000	14th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	7,000	15th June	Amoy, Shai Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
NELLORE	7,000	28th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TILAWA	10,000	3th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
CARTHAGE	15,000	12th July	Amoy, Shai Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*BURDWAN	6,000	13th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RANPURA	17,000	27th July	Shai Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	8,000	27th July	Amoy, Shai Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TANDA	7,000	5th Aug.	Shai Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
*SOMALI	7,000	7th Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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War Spy Returns as Buddhist Abbot



The recent arrival at Victoria, B. C., Canada, of Tribitch Lincoln, former war spy, in the role of Buddhist monk, recalls the colorful career of the man who kept the secret service agents of half a dozen countries on the jump for many years during, and after, the World War. Lincoln, now known as Abbot Chao Kung, is a Hungarian-born Jew. He first came to Canada to work in a Presbyterian mission. Then he went to England and became an Anglican curate. Next he took a job as secretary to a British politician and became a Member of Parliament. During the World War Lincoln was revealed as a German spy. He escaped and was not caught until after the war. Since then he has been chased from almost every country in Europe, charged with fomenting revolt and with spying. The execution of his son, Ignatius, in England for murder sent Lincoln, a broken man, to seek oblivion in a Buddhist monastery in China.

ITALY'S TRADE WITH INDIA

Hit By Indo-Japanese
Commercial Pact.

RETALIATION DENIED

Bombay.
An Indo-Italian Trade under-
standing is likely to be concluded as
a sequel to the Indo-Japanese Com-
mercial Pact which is said to have
hit Italy hard in the matter of her
trade with India.

Rumours of retaliatory duties in
Italy on Indian cotton imported
were denied by the Italian Consul
General in Bombay. Such a step
would be incompatible with the
friendly relations not only of the
Italian Government and the Gov-
ernment of India, but also of the
Italian Government and the Govern-
ment of Great Britain.

He explained, however, that the
uniformly unsatisfactory nature of
the balance of trade between India
and Italy had been causing concern
to the Italian Government, and that
representations had been made on
the subject to the Government of
India also.

In 1932-33 the balance of trade
in India's favour was nearly a crore
of rupees (£750,000). In 1931-32
nearly two crores of rupees
 (£1,500,000) in 1930-31 more than
three crores of rupees (£2,250,000)
in 1929-30 more than four crores
 (£3,000,000), and in 1928-29 as
much as eight crores (£6,000,000).

The Italian Government naturally
feels that something has to be done
about this adverse balance of trade,
particularly in view of the fact that
Italy is one of the few European
countries now on the gold standard.
The representations made to the
Government of India touch the
entire problem of Indo-Italian trade
and not cotton merely.—Reuter.

COOKED FOR TWO EMPERORS.

Rudolf Munsch Dies
In Vienna.

Vienna.
Rudolf Munsch, who was the last
head cook at the Austrian Imperial
Court, has died here at the age of
69.

Munsch was descended from a
famous line of Viennese innkeepers
and started his career as cook to
the Italian Baron Franchetti, but
left Italy owing to malaria.

For nine years he served the
tragic Empress Elisabeth, accom-
panying her on her travels until her
murder in Switzerland in 1898.
He then became "Imperial cook of
the First Class" to the Emperor
Francis Joseph.

Appointed head cook by the last
Emperor Charles, Munsch accom-
panied him to the front during the
War and after the revolution to
Ekarau and Hungary.—Reuter.

SIX RECORD SHATTERED AT SPORTS MEET

(Continued From Page 5).
Hang Hok Shan broke the 200
Metres record by 1.1/5 secs., cover-
ing the distance in 25.1/5 secs.

The 1500 Metres ended in a
similar manner to the Bicycle
Race. Fok Kuo Wing led by a
comfortable margin entering the
last lap, but was narrowly beaten
in the run in by Prithe Pall.

St. Joseph's Win
In the 400 Metres Relay, open to
all Schools, St. Joseph's and Wah
Yan were the only ones in the run-
ning. S. Hoar gave St. Joseph's a
good lead, but H. Bakar was slow
in taking over the baton, and the
Wah Yan second string jumped
into the lead. Wah Yan's third
string got away first, but a splen-
did run by C. Amery saw the Saints
once again secure the lead which
was improved on by G. Sequeira.

L/Cpl. Farmery of the Lincoln-
shire regiment ran a well-judged
race to win the 800 Metres, open
to the Colony.

After the first 200 metres he and
Blake, the Kowloon footballer, took
the lead. Blake tried hard to secure
the lead, but Farmery never relin-
quished his position with a
glorious finishing sprint beat Blake
by 10 yards.

At the conclusion of the sports
Mr. Lui Sun Lu B.Sc., Headmaster
of the College said that he was
glad to see the improvement in the
sports, but added that there was
considerable room for improve-
ment, which could only be gained
by training. He then called upon
Mr. Ip Lan Chuen to distribute the
prizes.

The Results
Results were as follow:
100 Metres (Senior):—
1. Li Tak Koo
Time: 11.4.5 secs. (Record)
100 Metres (Junior):—
1. Ko Ka Wo
2. Au Chi Keung
Time: 12.4.5 secs.
100 Metres (Small-boys):—
1. Lam To Bong
2. Li Kai Yin
Time: 15.1.5 secs.
400 Metres (Senior):—
1. Leung Sat Sang
2. Hang Hok Shan
Time: 60.2.5 secs. (Record)
Long Jump (Senior):—
1. Hang Hok Shan
2. Leung Fook Yee
Distance: 16 ft. 11 1/2 ins.
Long Jump (Junior):—
1. Chan Shang To
2. Lai Shou Kwong
Distance: 16 ft. 1 inch.
100 Metres Ladies (Open to Colony):—
1. Miss Kon Con Law
2. Miss Leather Li
Time: 14.4.5 secs.
Putting the Shot:—
1. An Yung Chor
2. Tsang Wei Thang
Distance: 24 ft. 5 ins.
800 Metres Championship:—
1. Leung Fook Yee
2. Prithe Pall
Time: 2 mins. 25.4.5 secs. (Record)
100 Metres (Open to Boarders):—
1. Tsang Wei Thang
2. Wong Ying Pak
Time: 12.4.5 secs.
3000 Metres Bicycle Race:—
1. Lai Yiu Chun
2. Mak Wei Ming

VENGEANCE AFTER EIGHT YEARS

Youth Shoots Men Who
Murdered Father.

PUNISHMENT UNLIKELY

Istanbul.
Eight years ago the father of
Mehmed Kirdjilli, an 8-year-old
Turkish boy, of Nezir, a village
near Adana, in Anatolia, was
murdered.

At the same time his sister
was kidnapped by the murder-
ers and carried off into the
mountains.

"When I grow up I will have
my revenge," said Mehmed to
himself.

When Mehmed celebrated his
sixteenth birthday, he set out to
look for the men who had killed
his father and stolen his sister.

Gradually he pieced together
the story of the crime, which
showed that five men had been
concerned in the affair.

He learned that these five men
were going to a fair in a nearby
town. He followed them.

One evening he lay in wait for
them in a deserted part of the
town. When they approached
he opened fire on them with an
automatic pistol.

Two of the men fell mortally
wounded. The other three ran
away. Mehmed followed
them. He shot one of them
dead, while the others were
caught by the police.

It is unlikely that the boy
will be punished, as public opin-
ion is strongly on his side.—
Reuter.

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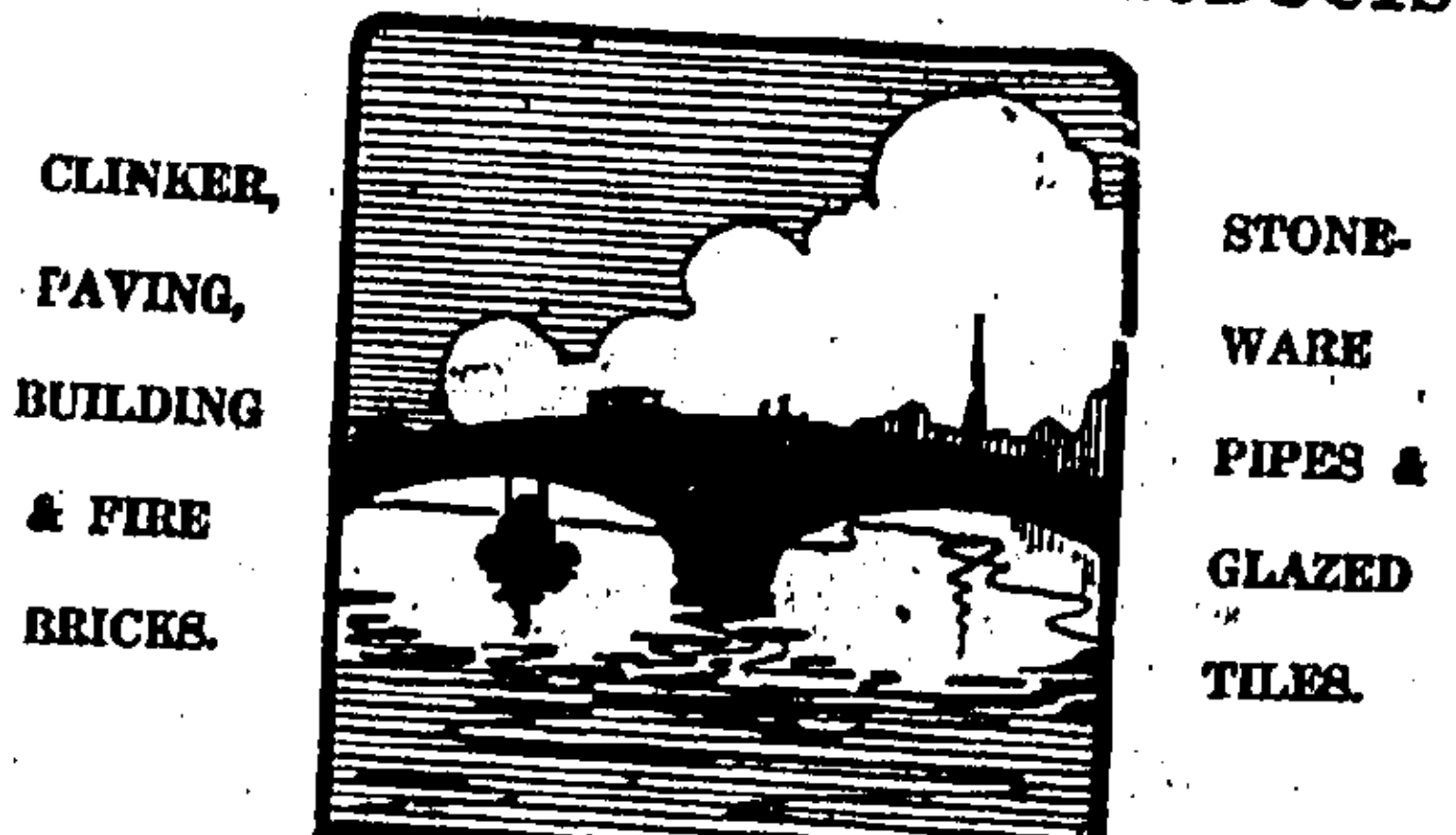
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ROMANCE OF BRITISH PARLIAMENT

(Continued from Page 8)

study of the Members of Parliament
would give a fairly accurate clue to
the classes which held economic
power.

Things are little different to-day,
but there has been no real revolution.
Parliament still reflects the
governing economic forces, but it
now reflects a great deal more. The
spread of popular education has
made it possible for men of every
class and type to enter its confines.

On the whole, Parliament's collec-
tive mind is very much the mind of
the average Briton. If that should

ever cease to be the case it would
be no more our historic Parliament.

Faith in Parliament
The final proof of its representa-
tive nature is that so many of the
critical events in our history have
had a Parliamentary setting. This,
I think, is true of no other country.

A national movement has usually
had its climax in the Parliamentary
arena. The history of Britain could
be written in full, around the signifi-
cant moments of the two Houses—
from the Petition of Right in 1628
to Sir Edward Grey's speech on the
afternoon of August 2, 1914.

The nation recognises this, for in
an hour of crisis an anxious popu-
lace moves instinctively towards two
places—Buckingham Palace and
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Both spot and forward silver prices declined 3/16, closing yesterday at spot, 19%, and forward, 19%.

The London on New York cross rate, which closed on Tuesday at £-U.S.\$5.11, closed yesterday at £-U.S.\$5.11, while the New York on London rate closed yesterday at £-U.S.\$5.11, as compared with £-U.S.\$5.11% on Tuesday.

PRINCE VISITING NORTH WALES.

Inspecting Voluntary Unemployed Relief.

London, To-day.
H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, who travelled to North Wales during Tuesday night, yesterday began his three-days' tour during which, as patron of the National Council of Social Service, he is visiting 20 towns and villages to inspect voluntary work being done for the unemployed.

The tour is being made as informal as possible, and will follow the general lines of the visits which the Prince has already paid to Tyne-side, Lancashire, Yorkshire and other districts where unemployment is widespread.

The Prince is accompanied only by his Private Secretary.—British Wireless Service.

DEATH ROLL IN LOCAL GAS EXPLOSION

LIKELY INCREASE REPORTED.

Patients Now Facing Reaction.

DR. VALENTINE'S STATEMENT

That there are still several patients lying in a critical condition at the Government Civil Hospital, as a result of the West Point gas explosion last Monday, and that they are by no means out of danger, was the statement made to the "China Mail" this morning by Dr. D. J. Valentine, Medical Officer in charge of the Hospital.

Dr. Valentine added that after three or four days the reaction of their injuries was now taking place, and he was afraid that still further deaths would occur.

Many of the fatal cases, continued, Dr. Valentine, were not considered so serious when they were admitted on Monday, several walking to the Hospital themselves, and others, who appeared only slightly injured, died within two or three hours after admission.

SEVERE SHOCK

Severe shock, rather than the extent of the injuries, has proved the cause of death in many of the cases, but those who have recovered from this stage are still in danger of

ADMINISTRATION BY F.T.C.

Blow To U.S. Senate's Proposition.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL—
(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1934, Received May 17, 8.16 a.m.)

Washington, To-day.
The White House states that President Roosevelt feels that the Federal Trade Commission should administer the Stock Exchange Control Bill instead of a special agency, as the Senate Bill proposed.

He also favours the House of Representatives Bill's marginal requirements.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

POLITICAL DRESS REFORM.

Prohibition Bill Refused.

London, To-day.
Commander Locker Lampson M.P. for Handsworth Division of Birmingham, was refused leave in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon to introduce a bill to prohibit the wearing of uniforms for political purposes.—British Wireless Service.

their wounds become septic, concluded Dr. Valentine.

The death roll is now estimated at 37. Thirty-eight are lying injured at the Government Civil Hospital and three at the Tung Wah Hospital.

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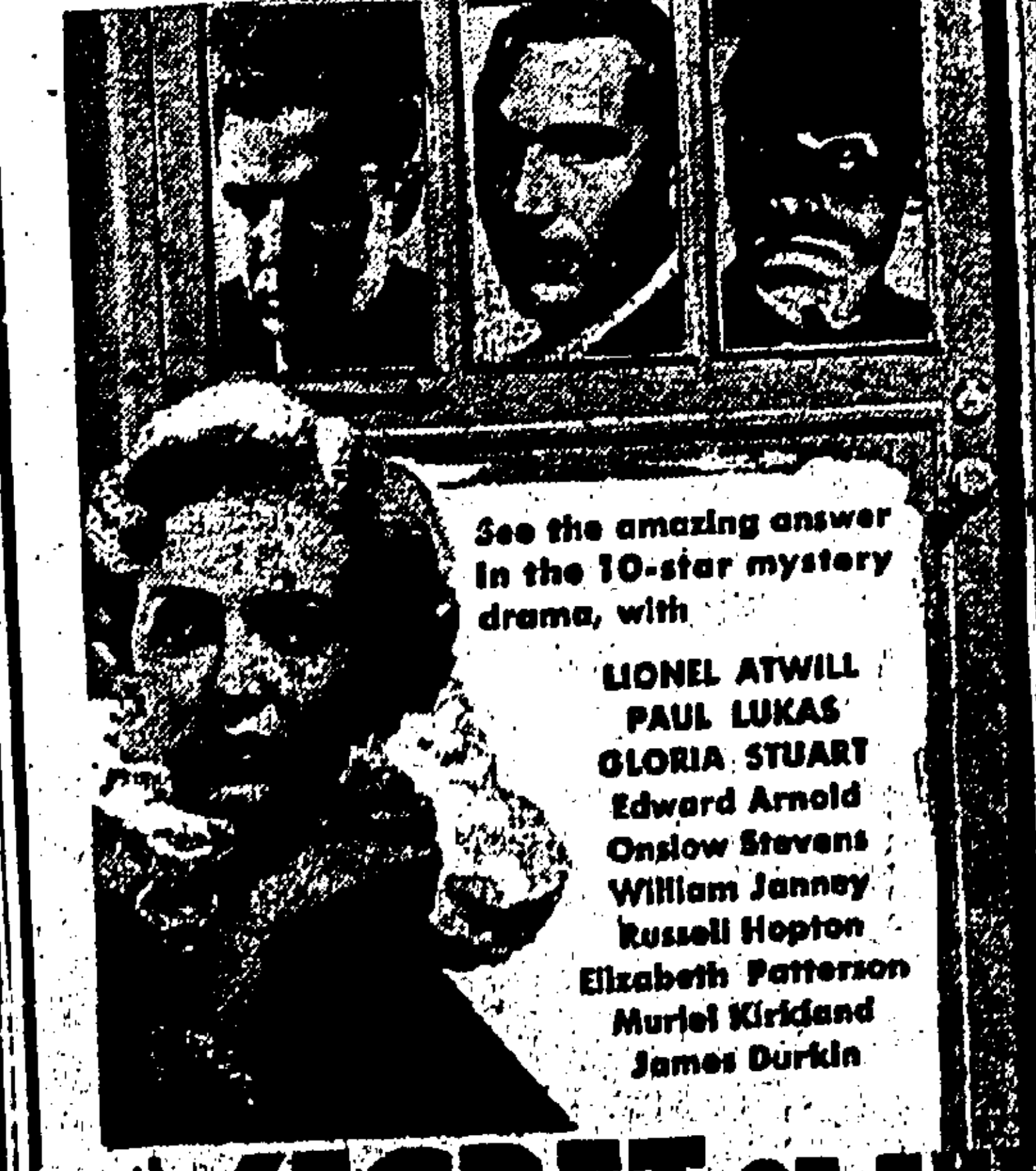
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